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NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

ENGINEERING COMPUTER

Development of the "Critical Path" analysis of progress on completion of New Jersey's portion of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways was accelerated this month and the computer program is now expected to be completed by August 2. This will enable the Highway Department to determine areas where Interstate projects must be expedited in order to meet the nation-wide completion date of October, 1972.

As an example of the value of the computer in saving manpower, the bridge geometry required in design of the Route 38 - Route 41 Interchange, was computed in three days. This saved approximately four to five weeks in comparison with the former manual method of computation.

In the area of research, the computer section is now developing a program for the analysis of travel time between as many as 30 traffic signals.

CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES

The Highway Department's Bureau of Roads has initiated a new procedure involving "pre-construction conferences" between the time a construction contract is awarded and the time actual work on the job begins. The first such conference was held June 26. It included all individuals and organizations involved in the job. The purpose was to acquaint the contractor and affected State personnel with the contractors', schedule of operations, assignment of personnel, any major considerations such as the necessity of coordinating any particular project with work proceeding adjacent to it, and any other unusual factors.

CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES, cont'd

It is believed that this new procedure will result in better coordination among the various units of the Highway Department involved in construction projects, will tend to eliminate any unnecessary involvement of private property which might create criticism and substantiate the complete field authority of the resident engineer.

TESTING LABORATORIES

The variety of activities and the over-all work load of our Testing Laboratory continues to expand. For example, during the first six months of 1963 the laboratory received 14,920 samples from the field for testing. This represented a 15% increase over corresponding period of 1962. It must be recognized that any expansion in highway construction creates a corresponding increase in the laboratory's work load. The possibility of charging a greater percentage of this unit's cost to the construction program is being investigated.

As an example of the variety of the laboratory's activities, during June it:

1. Inspected a new source of aggregate.
2. Tested a new canvas bearing for use in bridge piers and found it would not comply with specifications.
3. Inspected and approved two new sources of concrete pipe.
4. Inspected wire strand at a local manufacturing plant at the request of the Illinois Division of Highways.

TESTING LABORATORIES, cont'd

5. Checked an asphalt plant located in Pennsylvania and found it did not meet all Highway Department specifications.
6. Took cores from various bridge decks and piers at the request of the Bridge Division.
7. Took visibility readings on traffic paint testing lines at the request of the American Society of Testing Material.

STATE AID

A substantial backlog of State Aid contracts were awarded in the past month, insuring a high rate of operation for the balance of the summer. The principal activity in the County is the annual surface treatment program. Work is already underway in eight counties and preparation of county roads prior to starting the resurfacing is underway in the others. Bids for 30 municipal construction projects were received, and plans and specifications for 26 other improvement projects were approved. Thirty improvement projects were completed during the month. Contractors have been taking advantage of the good weather and working long hours, which has resulted in increased over-time for State inspectors.

The Division of State Aid was also called upon to assist a Federal Grand Jury investigating certain phases of local construction contracts. There was a complete search of the construction and maintenance record files, many individual records were utilized by the Jury. This imposed a heavy added work load on the central office.

ENGINEERING RESEARCH

The Bureau of Engineering Research has been conducting discussions for some time with the Stevens Institute of Technology with reference to research projects which might be handled by that Institution. Revised proposals have now been received for projects to be developed by Stevens. A traffic counting device, and a complete analysis of the safety factors involved in construction of concrete center barriers, these are being reviewed at the present time.

During the month represenatives of the National Highway Research Board inspected various pavement projects under construction in New Jersey, and Dr. R. H. Kirkham, of the Road Research Laboratory, London, England, was conducted on a similar inspection.

PUBLICATIONS

Publications issued by the Highway Department during the month included a report on the new Japanese Railway System, a dedication program for the new Route 3 bridge across the Hackensack River, and a revised educational folder on our Right-of-Way procedures. In addition to producing this material, the Department's print shop also began mass production of 230,000 "census" forms for use in the New Jersey Transportation Study. These forms will be used to collect land use data.

REPORTS

One of the reports which the State Highway Department is required to furnish to the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads is a compilation of expenditures within standard metropolitan areas in New Jersey. As designated by the 1960 census, 13 of the State's 21 counties fall within standard metropolitan statistical areas. Total expenditures by the Highway Department for capital improvement on State-administered highways during calender 1962 amounted to slightly more than $86 million. The total out-lay for maintenance was approximately $11 million.

LEGAL

The Attorney General, in his monthly report for May, listed the case of O'Neill vs the State Highway Department as a "Decision of Note". This opinion by the State Supreme Court dealt with a suit to require the Highway Department to condemn lands alleged to be in private ownership. The Highway Department maintains that the property is tideland owned by the State.

The Supreme Court ruled against the plaintiff's demand for a jury trial relying substantially upon a dissenting opinion in the Appellate Division in which Judge Goldmann carefully reviewed the history of prerogative writs in England from the year 1307 when Mandamus was considered an order from the sovereign and no jury trial could be permitted to question the authority of the Crown.

LEGAL, cont'd

The Judge noted that the Statute of Anne (1710) permitted a jury trial in cases involving the rights to offices and franchises in cities, towns corporate and boroughs but not otherwise and said our first Constitution (July 2, 1776) continued in force the common law of England and maintained that jury trials in Mandamus proceedings were only allowable to the specific instances set forth in the Statute of Anne.

Further, Judge Goldmann recalled the debates, reports and recommendations of various Committees meeting in 1942 on the Revision of the 1844 Constitution; in preparing the legislative draft of the 1944 Constitution which was rejected by the electorate; and in the Constitutional Convention of 1947 out of which our present Constitution arose and was adopted by the people and proclaimed on December 8, 1947.

Judge Goldmann concluded the reference to a jury trial in the Revised Rules of the Supreme Court of New Jersey is limited to those proceedings specifically mentioned in the Statute of Anne, therefore the plaintiff in the instant case was not entitled to a jury trial because her action was not covered by the Statute.

The State's approach is based on the philosophy that the rights and powers of the State Highway Commissioner may be best served by a trial by a Judge sitting without a jury. Invariably the issue to be decided will have statewide effect and should be decided, as far as humanly possible, without considerations by twelve jurors of a particular County of the effect a taking by the State may have on local planning, ratables, and the like.

ACCOUNTING COMPUTER

We have now set up four teams of programmers who are engaged in the work necessary to convert some of our existing accounting reports to the new IBM 1401 computer, as well as developing new reports. Following is a summation of the progress made by these teams:

Team One is designing the 941 Social Security Tax form for the 1401 computer. It is anticipated that on July 11 and 18, the entire payroll package consisting of six programs will be tested at the Data Center in Philadelphia, machine availability permitting.

Upon completion of the payroll application tentative dates for insertion of this payroll as an operative program will be determined.

Team Two's responsibilities have been revised to include the Appropriation Balance Reports, Inventory Reporting and Bid Extensions. As of this date it has completed four of the Appropriation Balance Programs, which will be tested on July 11th, and it will have completed two of the remaining three programs by July 18th, which will be tested on that date. The seventh program will be ready by the time the computer arrives. It is considered necessary that this seventh program be available sometime in the interim between July 1st and October 4th.

By September 6th all work procedures flow charts and a complete policy manual will have been prepared for the Appropriation Balance Report and implementation finished including cost distribution analysis.

ACCOUNTING COMPUTER, cont'd.

Team Three is drafting programs needed for the Concurrent Audit Billing, Federal Aid Status, and Right-of-Way Certificate reports. Of the five programs needed, all have been general block diagramed and detail block diagramed, and one has been coded.

It is anticipated that by August 9th, the Federal Aid Status Report and the Concurrent Audit Billing will have been completed and ready for testing.

Team Four is developing cost statements. Problem definition and report format in the maintenance cost area and the electrical cost areas have been completed. Currently the equipment cost statement is under review and it is anticipated that this will be completed by July 12th on schedule.

The physical inventory of the maintenance yards was taken on July 1st. A perpetual inventory system to record these inventories has been designed, personnel educated, systems manuals issued and is currently implemented covering the period subsequent to July 1st.

Things to be Done

(1) Staffing of key punch personnel will be completed as soon as key punch equipment is available sometime in the month of September, and after relocation to the new data processing area.

(2) The revised installation layout has been completed and distributed to the interested parties.

MEETINGS

In addition to the routine staff and other meetings, the following are a few of the meetings held during the month:

June 12 - Meeting with officials of the Pennsylvania Highway Department and the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads regarding the interstate connections of Routes 78 and 95, and the Penn-Jersey Study.

June 14 - Meeting in Newark with officials of the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad regarding the time schedules for service between Morristown and Newark.

Attended testimonial to the late Dow Drukker in Passaic.

June 17 - Meeting in the Governor's office with officials of the City of Bayonne to discuss the Highway Department's studies of rail transit, improved bus service and an improved Turnpike connection in Bayonne.

Meeting with officials of Clifton to discuss Route 21.

Meeting in the Governor's office with Mr. Amster of Bergen County to discuss safety measures on Route 17.

June 18 - Meeting in Governor's office with officials of Hudson County and the Division of Motor Vehicles to discuss improvement of Hudson Boulevard.

MEETINGS, cont'd.

June 18 - Addressed the annual meeting of the Forward Paterson Movement.

June 19 - Meeting with State Treasurer John Kervick and Budget Director Abram Vermeulen to discuss the Governor's proposed bond issue.

Meeting with the Realtists Association to discuss highway acquisition and relocation procedures.

June 20 - Meeting with Mayor Gangemi of Jersey City to discuss various transportation and community development problems in that City.

Meeting with members of the Tri-State Committee staff in Newark.

June 21 - Meeting with officials of Atlantic Highlands to discuss highway facilities in that area; also meeting with officials of Lavellette to discuss improvement of Route 35.

June 26 - Attended Governor's Monthly Cabinet Meeting.

Attended meeting of the Tri-State Transportation Committee.

Meeting with officials of the Federal Bureau of Public Roads to discuss alignment of Route 21 in Passaic.

MEETINGS, cont'd.

July 1 - Meeting with engineering consultants to discuss determination of the plan for rerouting the Jersey Central into Newark.

July 2 - Meeting with officials of the Passaic School Board to discuss alignment of Route 21.

Participated with the Governor in dedication of the new Route 3 Bridge across the Hackensack River.

July 8 - Meeting with Bishop Ahr and others to discuss alignment of Route 440 from the New Jersey Turnpike to the Outerbridge Crossing.

July 9 - Meeting with Senator Stout and former Highway Commissioner Sterner to discuss highway problems in Monmouth County.

BIDS RECEIVED

June 13 -	Interstate Route 80 Grading, Paving and Bridges Garden State Parkway to Senate Street E. Paterson Twp. & Saddle Brook Bergen County. Poirier & McLane Corp., New York City.	$ 5,056,469.18
June 13 -	Route 47 Intersection Revision at Route 41 Townships of Deptford and Washington Gloucester County. Clifford Ellis, Inc., Cherry Hill	148,323.00
June 13 -	N. J. State College - Montclair Grading and Paving Parking Areas Montclair, Essex County. Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls	10,539.55
June 20 -	Route 3 - Hackensack River Bridge Raising and Reconstruction of Superstructure Secaucus and E. Rutherford Hudson and Bergen Counties. Cayuga Construction Co., New York City.	2,707,525.00
June 20 -	Wheat Road Reconstruction Vineland, Cumberland County. Rudolph Meckel & Son, Vineland	104,508.46
June 27 -	Interstate Route 280 Demolition of Buildings W. Orange, Orange and E. Orange Essex County. V. Ottilio and Sons, Paterson	33,750.00
	Total Bids Received -	$ 8,061,115.19

BIDS AWARDED

June 12 -	Route 5 - Concrete Retaining Wall and Stabilization of rock slope Edgewater, Bergen County. Schiavone Construction Co., Secaucus	$248,858.00
June 14 -	Interstate Routes 80 and 95 Grading, Paving and Signs Englewood, Bogota, Leonia and Fort Lee Ridgefield Park and Teaneck Townships Bergen County. Lizza & Sons, Inc., Oyster Bay, N.Y.	4,726,936.05
June 14 -	Interstate Route 80 Grading, Paving and Bridges E. Paterson & Saddle Brook Township Bergen County. Poirier & McLane Corp., New York City	5,056,469.18
June 17 -	Route 35 Cheesequake Bridge Approach Reconstruction Madison Township, Middlesex County. Manzo Contracting Co., Matawan	118,953.70
June 21 -	Routes 60 and 202 Dualization, Resurfacing, Barrier Curb, Bridges. Raritan Twp., Flemington, Hunterdon County. Kingston Bituminous Products Co., Kingston	1,549,556.25
June 24 -	Route 47 - Intersection Revision Townships of Deptford and Washington Gloucester County. Clifford Ellis, Inc., Cherry Hill	148,323.00
June 28 -	N. J. State College Grading and Paving Parking Areas Montclair, Essex County. Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls	10,539.55

BIDS AWARDED, contd.

June 28 -	Route 3 - Hackensack River Bridge Raising and Reconstruction of Superstructure Secaucus and E. Rutherford Hudson and Bergen Counties. Cayuga Construction Co., New York City.	$2,707,525.00
July 3 -	Interstate Route 280 Demolition of Buildings W. Orange, Orange and E. Orange Essex County. V. Ottilio and Sons, Paterson	33,750.00
	Total Bids Awarded -	$14,600,910.73

BIDS TO BE RECEIVED

July 18 - Route 49 - Drainage Improvement
Fairton Road and Route 77
Central Railroad of N.J. Underpass
Fairfield Township and Bridgeton
Cumberland County.

MAP REQUESTS

Date	Name and Address	Quantity
6/12/63	Leslie Co. Lyndhurst, New Jersey	500
6/12/63	Pocatello Chamber of Commerce Idaho	25
6/12/63	Bay City Chamber of Commerce Texas	25
6/12/63	Chippewa Falls Area Chamber of Commerce Wisconsin	25
6/12/63	Farmall Employes Credit Union Rock Island, Illinois	25
6/12/63	Marlin Chamber of Commerce Texas	25
6/12/63	New Deal Lifetime Homes, Inc. Blackwood, New Jersey	15
6/12/63	Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce Texas	25
6/12/63	E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Co. Penns Grove, New Jersey	750
6/12/63	Mr. A. Sinks Penn-Jersey Transportation Study Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	25
6/12/63	Field Service Post Office Trenton, New Jersey	25
6/10/63	Welcome Wagon Union, New Jersey	100
6/18/63	Atchison Chamber of Commerce Kansas	12
6/18/63	Marshfield Chamber of Commerce Wisconsin	15
6/18/63	National Automobile Club Long Beach 13, California	15
6/18/63	Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce Sulphur Springs, Texas	20

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Date	Name and Address	Quantity
6/13/63	Trenton Chamber of Commerce New Jersey	100
6/19/63	Helena Chamber of Commerce Montana	25
6/19/63	Texarkana Chamber of Commerce Texas	25
6/19/63	The Brewster Automobile Club, Inc. Ohio	25
6/19/63	Aquarean San Marxos, Texas	25
6/19/63	Greater Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce New Hampshire	30
6/19/63	Shop Rite Supermarkets Elizabeth, New Jersey	25
6/19/63	John W. Lynn Allstate Motor Club Skokie, Illinois	100
6/20/63	Mr. Abram Watov Division of Purchase and Property State House	50
6/20/63	W. B. Schmitt Pleasantville Insurance Agency, Iowa	25
6/24/63	La Marque Chamber of Commerce Texas	12
6/24/63	Clifford J. Sturm Andrew H. Owen, Inc. West Orange, New Jersey	12
6/24/63	Mrs. Arlene J. Forman 205 Lorraine Place Brick Town, New Jersey	75
6/24/63	Martinsburg Chamber of Commerce West Virginia	25

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Date	Name and Address	Quantity
6/24/63	Robert A. Cotton General Refractories Co. Elizabeth, New Jersey	12
6/24/63	Norman Chamber of Commerce Oklahoma	15
6/26/63	Monahans Chamber of Commerce Texas	30
6/26/63	Nagelvoort-Strange-Edwards, Inc. Detroit 35, Michigan	25
6/26/63	Free Public Library East Orange, New Jersey	15
6/26/63	Bergen County Chamber of Commerce Hackensack, New Jersey	100
6/26/63	Diversified Map Corp. St. Louis 32, Missouri	100
6/26/63	Trailways Travel Bureau Corp. Boise, Idaho	80
6/26/63	Dr. Alan Hofmann New York City, New York	18
6/26/63	Robert Hoffman New York 20, New York	50
6/26/63	Mrs. John H. Lyle Lehigh Valley Motor Club Allentown, Pennsylvania	25
6/26/63	Alpena Chamber of Commerce Michigan	18
6/26/63	Grand Island Chamber of Commerce Nebraska	50
6/26/63	Bridge Travel Bureau Palmyra, New Jersey	200
6/26/63	Mrs. Virginia F. Colby Mishuane School Montclair, New Jersey	30

MAP REQUESTS

Date	Name and Address	Quantity
6/27/63	Mr. Ray L. Thomas Trip Planning & Travel Dept. Great Western Motor Club, Inc. Salt Lake City, Utah	25
6/27/63	Ontario Tourist Reception Centre Lansdowne, Ontario	25
6/27/63	General Motors Corp. Detroit 2, Michigan	25
6/27/63	Atlantic City Electric Co. New Jersey	25
6/28/63	Security Responsible Div. Motor Vehicle Dept. New Jersey	25
6/28/63	Urban J. Zentgraf Dept. of the Army Fort Monmouth, New Jersey	100
7/1/63	Florida Welcome Station Monticello, Florida	25
7/1/63	Free Public Library Cedar Grove, New Jersey	25
7/1/63	Palmetto Motor Club Columbia, South Carolina	25
7/2/63	Front Royal Chamber of Commerce Virginia	25
7/2/63	AAA Automobile Club Trenton, New Jersey	25
7/3/63	Marius Livingston Glassboro State College	30
7/3/63	Robert Austin General Assembly State of Illinois	25
7/3/63	Mrs. M. Howell Welcome Wagon Hostess Avenel, New Jersey	25
7/3/63	Chamber of Commerce East Grand Forks, Minnesota	25

MAP REQUESTS

Date	Name and Address	Quantity
7/3/63	Tourist Information Bureau Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada	25
7/3/63	Everett Snyder Chester, Pa.	25
7/3/63	Belleville Chamber of Commerce Illinois	24
6/11 - 7/9	Individual Requests	590
	Total Issued During Month	4,068

GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS:

PARTNERS IN PATERSON'S FUTURE

by

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New Jersey State Highway Commissioner

Forward Paterson Movement
Paterson, New Jersey
June 18, 1963

Greetings:

It is always an honor and a privilege to meet with a group of businessmen and citizens who have taken time off from their private, day-to-day activities to concern themselves with the future of their home town. Paterson is indeed fortunate in having received over a period of years the benefits of the inspiration and energy of the Forward Paterson Movement. This group has breathed the spark of life into many projects, including some with which we in the Highway Department are involved.

However, all of us have learned from experience that the process of sitting back and waiting for the momentum of an initial push to carry a job through to completion rarely produces satisfactory results. The task of revitalizing a city, particularly its transportation facilities, requires intense and continued effort. And this effort must be a joint one -- all of us, whether we are engaged in government, business, or some other pursuit, are partners in the future of Paterson.

It is essential that this point be recognized, for we are now reaching the stage where close contact between the State and the Community is necessary if our hopes and plans for a new network of freeways serving the Paterson area are to bear fruit. This is all to the good, for it is an indication of progress, but we should all realize that many a thorny issue will crop up before we get to the ribbon-cutting stage. These problems of minor alignment shifts, ramp locations, interchange design and the like can best be solved in an atmosphere of complete understanding -- in plain language we are all "working the same side of the street".

To place the picture in a little sharper focus for you, and to stress the need for handling our overall transportation program on the basis of area-wide planning and sound engineering, perhaps I should mention that what we are talking about involves the expenditure of $100 million or more in Passaic County. And it is possible that this may be accomplished, in stages, during the next five to seven years.

The route with which most of you here are most concerned is, of course, Route 20, otherwise known as the Paterson Peripheral Highway. As you know, this route was added to the State Highway System in 1959, running from Route U.S. 46 and the Garden State Parkway in Clifton up to existing State Route 20 in the vicinity

of the Maple Avenue Crossing of the Passaic River. You might be interested in the fact that we feel legislation designating this route as a Freeway is now in order.

This extension of Route 20 would be about five miles long and cost approximately $52 million. (Figures you may have heard previously referred only to construction costs.) A public hearing has been conducted on the alignment and we are now engaged in drafting preliminary plans along what is generally known as the "reservoir line". In about two months, we will be very anxious to sit down with your local officials and engineers and discuss some of the problems which must be solved before we can move onto the next stage. It is at this point that the common understanding and cooperation I mentioned previously will be a vital factor in our rate of progress.

For example, there is the question of how to handle the river crossings. We have made a total of 10 different studies of different interchange designs to handle the traffic crossing the Passaic River at various locations. The existing bridges at Main Street and West Broadway, for instance, are only two lanes wide. They now carry traffic in both directions, but our engineers feel traffic needs can best be served by converting them into one-way bridges. In this manner, when additional capacity is required, they can be widened to provide added lanes in the same direction.

I am told that an unusually heavy concentration of traffic will exist in this limited area, amounting to some 4,000 vehicles an hour in each direction, which makes our interchange design just that much more difficult. Be that as it may, we will shortly be discussing the traffic and engineering factors with your people across the conference table, and we look forward to solving such problems in an expeditious manner.

If it is possible to reach agreement on these matters without any protracted controversies -- and I stress the "if" -- we could be in a position to begin buying right-of-way in the next fiscal year with construction following shortly thereafter.

One more factor should be kept in mind when considering the scheduling of Route 20 -- its close relationship with your urban renewal and redevelopment programs. We in the Highway Department recognize very clearly that our responsibility goes deeper than the mere construction of a highway. We know that what we do will affect the shape of Paterson for decades to come, and we want you to know that we do not carry that responsibility lightly. Our ability to "work wonders", if you will, has its limits, but within those limits we are anxious to do everything possible for the future social and economic well-being of the community.

Another future freeway which will do much to improve the swift, safe and convenient movement of people and goods in and around Paterson is the Route 21 Freeway running north 12 miles from Newark

to Interstate Route 80. Construction of this highway has been under way for ten years and, as you may have heard, we recently advertised for bids on a short stretch in Essex County which will complete the route from Clay Street in Newark to South Parkway in Clifton. Incidentally, the cost of this highway to date is approximately $22 million dollars. This is a 50-50 route, and the slow rate of construction is directly attributable to the difficulty of taking that much money from our available 50-50 funds to spend on just one comparatively short route. Without some acceleration in our highway program, it might be difficult indeed to persuade other areas of the State -- all badly in need of new highways --of the greater merits of your appeal.

We have conducted a public hearing on the alignment of Route 21 from South Parkway to just north of Clinton Avenue. The further portion of the alignment is still under study and will not become fixed until after another hearing has been held and considerable engineering has been done. The alignment which has been fixed includes a spur running north from the vicinity of Clinton Avenue to a connection with Route U.S. 46.

Altogether, it will cost at least another $34 million to complete the Route 21 Freeway. The timing on this highway depends on a variety of factors, not the least of which is the availability of funds. If everything breaks just right, it is conceivable that we may be able to show some evidence of our efforts around the end of next year.

Allow me to interrupt my narrative just a moment at this point to say a word about time schedules and "deadlines" for completion of our construction projects. Over a period of years, I have found that while management tends to be optimistic in these matters, the engineers are correspondingly pessimistic. On many occasions they turn out to be right, but I personally always feel that it is not because the job can't be done on time, somehow it just isn't done. And quite often our people say it is because local interests are "throwing ashes on the slide". Now it's not surprising that differences of opinion arise from time to time on any proposed rearrangement of physical facilities in a congested urban area. What we must all realize is that these differences cannot be allowed to halt or even slow down progress in providing new arteries for the lifeblood of our economy. The occasional disgruntled individual who says that if he can't have the highway where he wants it, he doesn't want it at all, just doesn't realize the importance of the facility he is apparently willing to "throw down the drain". And he himself may be here today and out of his berth tomorrow, so why cater to him alone?

The other major freeway involving Passaic County is, of course, the Bergen-Passaic Expressway, or Interstate Route 80. This road, like many others, has been long in coming but now it's finally just around the corner. We are already under construction all

the way from the George Washington Bridge to Beckwith Avenue in Paterson. The entire stretch will be open to traffic in 1965, with some portions coming into service earlier.

Construction of the section from Main Street west has been delayed by the design changes required by the shift in the alignment to the Erie-Lackawanna right-of-way. It is contemplated, however, that a contract carrying the Expressway west to a temporary connection with Main Street will be awarded in the comparatively near future and completed at the same time as the sections already under construction. Work to the west will progress as fast the contract plans are completed, with a great deal of attention being directed toward a proper solution for the massive traffic jam we see developing in the area of the Route 23 and Route 46 interchange as a result of new shopping center locations.

You know, it is a pity that the Highway Department is not more closely consulted sometimes when local chambers of commerce ply their wiles to entice such commercial establishments to locate along our heavily traveled highways. Those of you who have traveled Route 17 or Route 4 in Paramus can readily understand that location of large shopping centers in an interchange area forces an entire new concept of traffic service requirements.

The money for Route 80 is available, since the Federal Bureau of Public Roads is picking up 90 per cent of the tab. The money for the Paterson Peripheral Route and Route 21 may be harder to come by, as I mentioned previously, unless our overall highway program is accelerated. Both of them are on the list which we submitted to the Legislature in connection with Governor Hughes' proposal for a $750 million bond issue, and there can be no doubt that his program would substantially enhance our opportunity to complete them. It is an interesting coincidence that, as matters now stand, construction probably would extend through the period when the bond issue funds would be available to us.

In any event, I am certain you appreciate that it will require a massive effort by the Highway Department to complete the engineering, right-of-way acquisition and construction involved in these routes on an accelerated schedule. I hope you appreciate with equal force that it will also require a strenuous effort by the officials, businessmen and private citizens of Paterson and Passaic County. You will be deeply involved in the job of coordinating your many other projects with our plans, let me assure you of that!

And perhaps you will not take it amiss if I point out that here is a golden opportunity for men of vision, and I know you have them, to do their part in upgrading the appearance, facilities and

general economic climate of this community. Now is the time to make sure that when future thousands of travelers move in and out of town on modern, convenient highways, that they find a proper welcome.

Make sure there is ample parking space. Check on the courtesy of your store clerks. Use a little paint and a lot of elbow-grease to make the town look attractive. Refurbish your parks. Check now on the availability of space for industrial and commercial expansion, and zone your area with intelligence. In short, get ready. And you leaders in the industrial field -- be a little generous and communicative with the talents that made your business a success. Apply your recipe to Paterson. We can't do the whole job for you, but these new highways will surely provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for your economy to start moving in high gear. Take advantage of it!

And if, as businessmen, you feel constrained to spend a lot of your own time and perhaps a little of your own money on some of the things I have suggested, why just consider it your investment in our partnership enterprise -- Paterson's future.

Thank you.

NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Traffic Conditions Report

Bureau of Public Information
Trenton 25, New Jersey
TUxedo 2-3000

RELEASE FRIDAY JULY 5 WEEK OF JULY 6 - JULY 12

Trenton, July 5 - The New Jersey State Highway Department, as part of a continuing service to the public, today issued a list of locations within the State where road construction and maintenance may cause interference to motorists during the week of July 6 - July 12.

Atlantic

Route 9, Somers Point and Linwood -- Minor delays to traffic during water main installation.

Bergen

Route 3, East Rutherford -- Traffic will be guided through the construction area as work proceeds. Southbound Route 20 traffic desiring to reach westbound Route 3 will detour by way of Paterson Plank Road and Route 17 to Route 3. The condition will continue for about 6 months.

In the construction area west of the Hackensack River there will be occasional delays to traffic resulting from movement of construction equipment across the highway. The condition will continue for about 6 months.

Route 4, Hackensack, Teaneck -- Minor delays during repairs to bridge decks. No evening or weekend interference.

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Bergen cont'd

Route 46, Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro -- Minor delays to traffic may be expected for the next week during resurfacing operations on the bridge and apppoaches carrying the roadway over the New Jersey and New York Railroad. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

Route 80, Teaneck, Ridgefield Park, Bogota -- The detour at Teaneck Road between Arthur Street and Jasper Avenue will remain until October, 1963 and the detour at Queen Anne Road between Arthur Street and Cypress Avenue will remain until July, 1963. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

North Avenue will be blocked off between Seventh Street and Second Street for an indefinite period. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

Route 80, Township of Hackensack, Teterboro and City of Hackensack -- There will be a slight delay to traffic on Hudson Street in Hackensack from Vreeland Avenue to Dock Street and on Huyler Street in South Hackensack from Florida Street to Virginia Street due to utility work being performed in this area. The condition will continue for about five months.

The closing of Huyler Street has been deferred upon request of the county and local municipalities. Wesley Street has been reconstructed except at the intersection of Huyler Street and at the intersection of Green Street.

Washington Avenue and Jackson Avenue have been reopened to traffic.

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Bergen cont'd

Route 95, Teaneck -- Fort Lee Road is detoured between Glenwood Avenue and the Overpeck Creek Bridge. Glenwood Avenue is detoured between Fort Lee Road and Cypress Street. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue until paving operations are completed.

Bergen-Passaic

Route 80, Paterson, East Paterson -- Traffic on Lakeview Avenue is now being detoured via Maryland Avenue, Trenton Avenue, and Alabama Avenue to permit excavation operations to continue in a westerly direction. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue for 1 month.

Slight interference may be expected in the vicinity of the Market Street County Bridge and Route 20 due to construction operations.

Burlington

Route 130, City of Burlington -- Southbound traffic will be confined to one lane for short distances at various locations. The condition will continue for 3 weeks.

Burlington-Camden

Route 130, Burlington, Edgewater Park, Delanco, Delran, Pennsauken, Cinnaminson -- Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction in certain locations, northbound and southbound from Bridgeboro to Riverton during paving operations. No interference is expected from north of Bridgeboro to Burlington. Traffic will return to normal 2 lanes in each direction on weekends.

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TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Camden

Route 38, Pennsauken and Cherry Hill Townships -- Slight interference to traffic for next 3 months during widening and the construction of interchanges at Marlton Pike and Cuthbert Boulevard. The condition will continue for 3 months.

Essex

Route 21, Belleville -- Traffic will be reduced to two lanes during construction on the southbound lanes.

Hudson

Route 3, Secaucus -- The new Hackensack River Bridge between Secaucus and East Rutherford is open to traffic. Built to carry westbound traffic, it will accommodate two way traffic until the old Route 3 Bridge is reconstructed. Morning rush hour traffic will have three lanes eastbound and evening rush hour traffic will have three lanes westbound. All eastbound traffic will cross over to existing Route 3 eastbound just west of the westerly underpass at Paterson Plank Road. The condition will continue until work on the old Route 3 bridge is completed about April, 1964.

Occasional delays to traffic in the area of the operations to widen the Turnpike bridge while equipment moves in the construction area. The condition will continue until the end of 1963.

Mercer

Route 29, West Trenton -- Utility company installing sanitary sewers. Traffic reduced to one lane during daylight operations.

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Middlesex

Route 18, East Brunswick -- Excavation, grading and rolling in the vicinity of Fountain St. and Wallace St. Excavation for sanitary sewer installations will be underway on Cranbury Road, Route 18 and possibly Milltown Road. The conditions will continue for 3 to 5 weeks.

At various locations from Rues Lane to Main Street on Route 18, traffic will be restricted to single lanes, northbound and southbound, during drainage excavation operations.

New Street will be closed between John Street and Route 18 until New Street overpass is built.

Route 287, Metuchen, Edison Township -- The intersection at Main Street and Route 1 is now open to traffic. Some restriction of traffic is expected along Route 1 in the vicinity of Main Street for both directions of traffic.

Route 287 has been opened to traffic at Route 1.

Monmouth

Route 9, Freehold -- Interference to traffic will result from trucks moving materials around the work area. The new northbound roadway will be opened to two-way traffic. Construction will continue on the southbound roadway.

Route 36, Raritan Township, Union Beach, Keansburg -- Slight interference to traffic at Waackaak Creek, East Creek and Flat Creek. The condition will continue until the end of the year.

Morris

Route 15, Twp. of Rockaway, Twp. of Jefferson -- Slight interference due to movement of trucks on Route 15 during dualization work on the route.

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1963
TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Somerset

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There will be a short detour for U.S. 202-206 traffic beginning at a point about 200 feet north of the Bridgewater Township Municipal Building in the vicinity of the construction of the Route 287 interchange. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. The condition will continue for 1 week.

Traffic is detoured on Route 202-206, on Woodlawn Avenue and on Garretson Road while the Woodlawn Avenue-Garretson Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 2 months.

North Gaston Avenue will be closed between Route U.S. 22 westbound and Somerville Road during construction of Gaston Avenue bridge. The condition will continue for 2 months.

Foothill Road will be closed to all traffic from westbound Route U.S. 22 and Adamsville Road during construction of Foothill Road bridge. Traffic will have to use Adamsville Road to reach U.S. 22. The condition will continue for 3 months.

Talamini Road, which runs from Routes 202-206 to Country Club Road, has been closed temporarily while Talamini Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 1 month.

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Somerset cont'd

Route 287, Bridgewater, Bedminster -- Cedar Brook Road is closed to traffic during construction of Interstate Route 287. An overpass will be constructed for Cedar Brook Road. The condition will continue for 1 month.

Route 287, Pluckemin and Bedminster -- Occasional interference to traffic when construction equipment works on Burnt Mills Road. Relocated Burnt Mills Road will open July 10.

Union

Route 27, Linden, Roselle, Elizabeth -- Slight delay to traffic during widening operations work. Two way traffic will be maintained on the newly paved surfaces.

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1035 Parkway Ave. Trenton TUxedo 2-3000 - Ext. 431-432

RELEASE WEDNESDAY P.M.'s

1963
TRAFFIC SIGNALS
Intersection Route 67
(Lemoine Ave.) and Wilson
Intersection Route 67
(Lemoine Ave.) and Lincoln
Borough of Fort Lee, Bergen Co.

Trenton, July 3 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced that two semi-actuated traffic signals with pedestrian push buttons are being installed at the Route 67 (Lemoine Ave.) intersections with Wilson and Lincoln Avenues in Fort Lee Borough, Bergen County.

Prior to these installations stop signs had been in use at the entrance of Route 67 at these two intersections.

The installation of traffic signals are being made at the request of the Borough of Fort Lee and after studies by the Highway Department has determined their need at these locations.

The State and the Borough will share the cost of installation. The Highway Department will maintain the installations and the Borough will pay electrical costs.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
Route 17
Borough of Paramus
Bergen County

Trenton, July 3 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced new no parking regulations along Route 17 in the Borough of Paramus, Bergen County, where parking, stopping or standing will be prohibited at all times.

The ban will include both sides of Route 17 for its entire length within the corporate limits of Parmaus, including all ramps and connections to Route 17 which are under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department.

This is a revision of a prior regulation which prohibited parking but did not preclude stopping or standing in the area.

The new regulation will become effective with the posting of regulatory signs in the affected area. This is expected within two weeks.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
Route U.S. 130
Upper Penns Neck Township
Salem County

Trenton, July 3, - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced new no parking regulations along Route U.S. 130 in Upper Penns Neck Township, Salem County, where parking, stopping or standing will be prohibited at all times.

No stopping or standing along both sides of Route U.S. 130:

1. Between a point 150 feet north of the northerly curb line and a point 100 feet south of the southerly curb line of Walker Avenue - Georgetown Road (County Route 29, Carney's Point)

2. Between a point 150 feet north of the northerly curb line and a point 150 feet south of the southerly curb line of new Plant Street.

The new regulations will become effective with the posting of regulatory signs. This is expected within two weeks.

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RELEASE TUESDAY P.M.'s

1963
TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
Route 67
Borough of Fort Lee
Bergen County

Trenton, July 2 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced new no parking zones in the Borough of Fort Lee, Bergen County where stopping or standing will be prohibited.

1. Along the southbound side of Route 67 (Lemoine Ave.) between the intersection of Prospect Avenue and New York Avenue.
2. Along the southbound side of Route 67 between a point 100 feet north of the northerly curb line and a point 100 feet south of the southerly curb line of Wilson Avenue. Between a point 90 feet north of the northerly curb line and a point 100 feet south of the southerly curb line of Lincoln Avenue.
3. No parking between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on the northbound side of Route 67 between a point 120 feet south of the prolongation of the southerly curb line of Lincoln Avenue and the intersection of New York Avenue.

These new no parking regulations have been put in effect to ease traffic congezstons in these areas where traffic signals are being installed at the intersections of Route 67 and Wilson and Lincoln Avenues.

The new regulation will become effective with the posting of regulatory signs in the affected area. This should be within two weeks.

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RELEASE MONDAY P.M.'s

1963
TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
Route 439
City of Elizabeth
Union County

Trenton, July 1 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced new no parking zones along Route 439 in the City of Elizabeth, Union County.

Stopping or standing are prohibited along both sides of 439 between the intersections of Linden Avenue and Route 28 (Westfield Avenue) between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Prior to the adoption of this regulation by the Highway Department, the same regulation had been in effect as a city ordinance with the approval of the Department.

The Highway Department will erect and maintain new signs in this area.

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RELEASE MONDAY P.M.'s

1963
TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
Route 49
Lower Penns Neck Twps.
Salem County

Trenton, July 1 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced new no parking zones along Route 49 in Lower Penns Neck Township, Salem County.

I Along the northbound side of Route 49:

A. No parking, stopping or standing:

1. Between the intersections of Ferry Avenue and Pittsfield Street.

B. No parking:

1. Between the driveways of the post office in Pennsville (opposite Riverview Park entrance)

II Along the southbound side of Route 49:

A. No parking, stopping or standing:

1. Between the intersection of Fairview Street and Maple Avenue.
2. Between points 450 feet north of and 110 feet south of the intersection of Pittsfield Street.
3. Between the intersections of Ferry Avenue and Chestnut Street.

B. No parking:

1. Between the driveways of the Trinity Methodist Church

These new no parking zones alve been established at the request of the Township to facilitate a freer, safer movement to traffic in these areas.

The regulations will become effective with the posting of regulatory signs. This is expected within two weeks.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
Interstate Route 280 - BIDS
Demolition
Orange, East Orange
Essex County

Trenton, June 27 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today received a low bid of $33,750.00 from V. Ottilio and Sons, Paterson, on a demolition project on Interstate Route 280, the Essex East-West Freeway in Essex County.

Other bidders on the project were: William M. Young and Co., Newark, $47,722.00; Interstate Wrecking Co., Inc., Springfield, $53,850.00; Industrial Wrecking Co., Inc., Hoboken, $76,900.00 and Belleza Co., Inc., Jersey City, $110,000.00.

Approximately 25 buildings will be demolished over a distance of 0.8 mile in an S-shaped corridor extending from 300 feet east of Northfield Avenue in West Orange eastward to the vicinity of North Center Street in Orange. The corridor crosses Valley Road, South Jefferson Street, the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad, Scotland Road, Lincoln Avenue, Essex Avenue, South Day Street and North Center Street.

Seventeen additional buildings will be demolished over a distance of less than one half mile from the vicinity of Kenilworth Place in Orange to 250 feet west of North Clinton Street in East Orange. The corridor crosses Harrison Street, Evergreen Place, Halstead Street and Amherst Street.

Two prior demolition projects in the same area were completed earlier this year. Buildings are being demolished on a selective basis as property acquisition agreements are reached and as the occupants of the buildings move out.

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1963
Interstate Route 280 - BIDS
Demolition
Orange, East Orange
Essex County

A Highway Department spokesman, recounting the history of the Essex East-West Freeway portion of Interstate Route 280, explained that the superhighway will solve the problem of providing an adequate traffic artery between Newark and the Oranges.

The entire route, to be about 17 miles long, will extend from Interstate Route 95 in Kearny to Interstate Route 80 in Parsippany-Troy Hills Township in Morris County.

A schedule of 60 working days has been set for the demolition project. The Federal Government will pay 90% of the costs while New Jersey will pay 10%. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

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NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Traffic Conditions Report

Bureau of Public Information
Trenton 25, New Jersey
TUxedo 2-3000

RELEASE FRIDAY JUNE 28 WEEK OF JUNE 29 - JULY 5

Trenton, June 21 - The New Jersey State Highway Department, as part of a continuing service to the public, today issued a list of locations within the State where road construction and maintenance may cause interference to motorists during the week of June 29 - July 5.

Atlantic

Route 9, Somers Point and Linwood -- Minor delays to traffic during water main installation.

Bergen

Route 3, East Rutherford -- Traffic will be guided through the construction area as work proceeds. Southbound Route 20 traffic desiring to reach westbound Route 3 will detour by way of Paterson Plank Road and Route 17 to Route 3. The condition will continue for about 6 months.

In the construction area west of the Hackensack River there will be occasional delays to traffic resulting from movement of construction equipment across the highway. The condition will continue for about 6 months.

Route 4, Hackensack, Teaneck -- Minor delays during repairs to bridge decks. No evening or weekend interference.

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Bergen cont'd

Route 46, Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro -- Minor delays to traffic may be expected for the next week during resurfacing operations on the bridge and approaches carrying the roadway over the New Jersey and New York Railroad. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

Route 80, Teaneck, Ridgefield Park, Bogota -- The detour at Teaneck Road between Arthur Street and Jasper Avenue will remain until October, 1963 and the detour at Queen Anne Road between Arthur Street and Cypress Avenue will remain until July, 1963. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

North Avenue will be blocked off between Seventh Street and Second Street for an indefinite period. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

Route 80, Township of Hackensack, Teterboro and City of Hackensack -- There will be a slight delay to traffic on Hudson Street in Hackensack from Vreeland Avenue to Dock Street and on Huyler Street in South Hackensack from Florida Street to Virginia Street due to utility work being performed in this area. The condition will continue for about five months.

Route 80, Township of Hackensack, Teterboro, City of Hackensack -- Huyler Street is closed to traffic between Wesley Street and North Street. Traffic is detoured to Green Street from Wesley Street and North Street. The condition will continue for 6 months.

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1963
TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Bergen cont'd

Washington Avenue and Jackson Avenue have been reopened to traffic.

Route 95, Teaneck -- Fort Lee Road is detoured between Glenwood Avenue and the Overpeck Creek Bridge. Glenwood Avenue is detoured between Fort Lee Road and Cypress Street. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue until paving operations are completed.

Route 95, Fort Lee -- Edgewood Road is cut off until the bridge is built over Route 95. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue until July, 1963.

Bergen-Passaic

Route 80, Paterson, East Paterson -- Traffic on Lakeview Avenue is now being detoured via Maryland Avenue, Trenton Avenue, and Alabama Avenue to permit excavation operations to continue in a westerly direction. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue for 1 month.

Market Street will be closed between Route 20 and 39th Street. Traffic will be detoured around the jug handle on Route 20 to 21st Avwnue. The condition will continue for 1 week.

Market Street Bridge over the Passaic River will be open for eastbound traffic only for the remainder of this week. Next week westbound traffic will be diverted over ramp B to existing Market Street.

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TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Burlington

Route 130, City of Burlington -- Southbound traffic will be confined to one lane for short distances at various locations. The condition will continue for 4 weeks.

Burlington-Camden

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Camden

Route 38, Pennsauken and Cherry Hill Townships -- Slight interference to traffic for next 3 months during widening and the construction of interchanges at Marlton Pike and Cuthbert Boulevard. The condition will continue for 3 months.

Route 168, Camden -- Minor delays while water main is installed. No weekend interference.

Route 168, Camden -- At the intersection of Routes 130 and 168 resurfacing operations are underway.

Cumberland

Route 47, Port Elizabeth -- Minor delays during gas line installation.

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1963
TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Essex

Route 21, Belleville -- Traffic will be reduced to two lanes during construction on the southbound lanes.

Hudson

Route 3, Secaucus -- On July 2, 1963, the new Hackensack River Bridge between Secaucus and East Rutherford will be open to traffic. Built to carry westbound traffic, it will accommodate two way traffic until the existing Route 3 Bridge is reconstructed. Morning rush hour traffic will have three lanes eastbound and evening rush hour traffic will have three lanes westbound. All eastbound traffic will cross over to existing Route 3 eastbound just west of the westerly underpass at Paterson Plank Road. The condition will continue until the existing Route 3 bridge is complete about April, 1964.

Occasional delays to traffic in the area of the operations to widen the Turnpike bridge while equipment moves in the construction area. The condition will continue until the end of 1963.

Mercer

Route 29, West Trenton -- Utility company installing sanitary sewers. Traffic reduced to one lane during daylight operations.

Middlesex

Route 18, East Brunswick -- Some delay may be expected at Milltown Road and at Cranbury Road due to excavation operations. The condition will continue for 2 weeks.

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Middlesex cont'd

At various locations from Rues Lane to Main Street on Route 18, traffic will be restricted to single lanes, northbound and southbound, during drainage excavation operations.

New Street will be closed between John Street and Route 18 until New Street overpass is built.

Route 287, Metuchen, Edison Township -- The intersection at Main Street and Route 1 is now open to traffic. Some restriction of traffic is expected along Route 1 in the vicinity of Main Street for both directions of traffic.

Route 287 will be opened to traffic at Route 1 on July 1, 1963.

Monmouth

Route 9, Freehold -- Interference to traffic will result from trucks moving materials around the work area. The new northbound roadway will be opened to two-way traffic. Construction will continue on the southbound roadway.

Route 36, Raritan Township, Union Beach, Keansuurg -- Slight interference to traffic at Waackaak Creek, East Creek and Flat Creek. The condition will continue until the end of the year.

Morris

Route 15, Twp. of Rockaway, Twp. of Jefferson -- Slight interference due to movement of trucks on Route 15 during dualization work on the route.

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Somerset

Route 287, Bridgewater Township -- Traffic will be detoured to temporary North Bridge Street via 3rd Avenue and Lenox Avenue during construction of North Bridge Street bridge. The condition will continue for about 1 month.

There will be a short detour for U.S. 202-206 traffic beginning at a point about 200 feet north of the Bridgewater Township Municipal Building in the vicinity of the construction of the Route 287 interchange. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. The condition will continue for 1 week.

Traffic is detoured on Route 202-206, on Woodlawn Avenue and on Garretson Road while the Woodlawn Avenue-Garretson Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 2 months.

North Gaston Avenue will be closed between Route U.S. 22 westbound and Somerville Road during construction of Gaston Avenue bridge.

Foothill Road will be closed to all traffic from westbound Route U.S. 22 and Adamsville Road during construction of Foothill Road bridge. Traffic will have to use Adamsville Road to reach U.S. 22. The condition will continue for 3 months.

Talamini Road, which runs from Routes 202-206 to Country Club Road, has been closed temporarily while Talamini Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 1 month.

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Somerset cont'd

Route 287, Bridgewater, Bedminster -- Cedar Brook Road is closed to traffic during construction of Interstate Route 287. An overpass will be constructed for Cedar Brook Road. The condition will continue for 1 month.

Route 287, Pluckemin and Bedminster -- Occasional interference to traffic when construction equipment works on Burnt Mills Road. Relocated Burnt Mills Road will open July 10.

Union

Route 27, Linden, Roselle, Elizabeth -- Slight delay to traffic during widening operations work. Two way traffic will be maintained on the newly paved surfaces.

Route 28, Westfield and Roselle Park -- Minor delays during resurfacing operations. No evening or weekend interference.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'s

1963
Route 36 - COMPLETION
Sea Bright
Monmouth County

Trenton, June 27 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced completion of a $39,000 project for improvement of the intersection of Route 36 and Ocean Avenue in Sea Bright, Monmouth County.

A bottleneck created by increased traffic travelling to and from Sandy Hook Island Park has been removed by increasing the traffic carrying capacity of the intersection.

Larger traffic islands have been built for improved traffic channelization and the desired increase in intersection capacity. In addition, Ocean Avenue has been widened for a distance of 800 feet northward from the intersection toward Sandy Hook.

Route 36 traffic will continue to use two lanes in each direction, eastbound and westbound. Ocean Avenue traffic will continue to move northbound and southbound with slight changes in channelization through the new intersection.

Costs will be paid by the New Jersey State Highway Department.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'s

1963
Routes 49 and 77
City of Bridgeton
Township of Fairfield
Cumberland County

Trenton, June 27 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it will receive bids July 18 on a drainage improvement project to relieve flooding conditions on Routes 49 and 77 in Cumberland County.

Work will consist of the installation of new drainage systems on Route 49 at the intersection with County Road 553 (Fairton Road) in Fairfield Township and on Route 77 at the location where the Central Railroad of New Jersey crosses the highway in the City of Bridgeton.

Two way traffic will be maintained at all times with some constriction to vehicles in the construction area.

Costs of the work, which will take about 40 working days to complete, will be paid entirely by the State Highway Department. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

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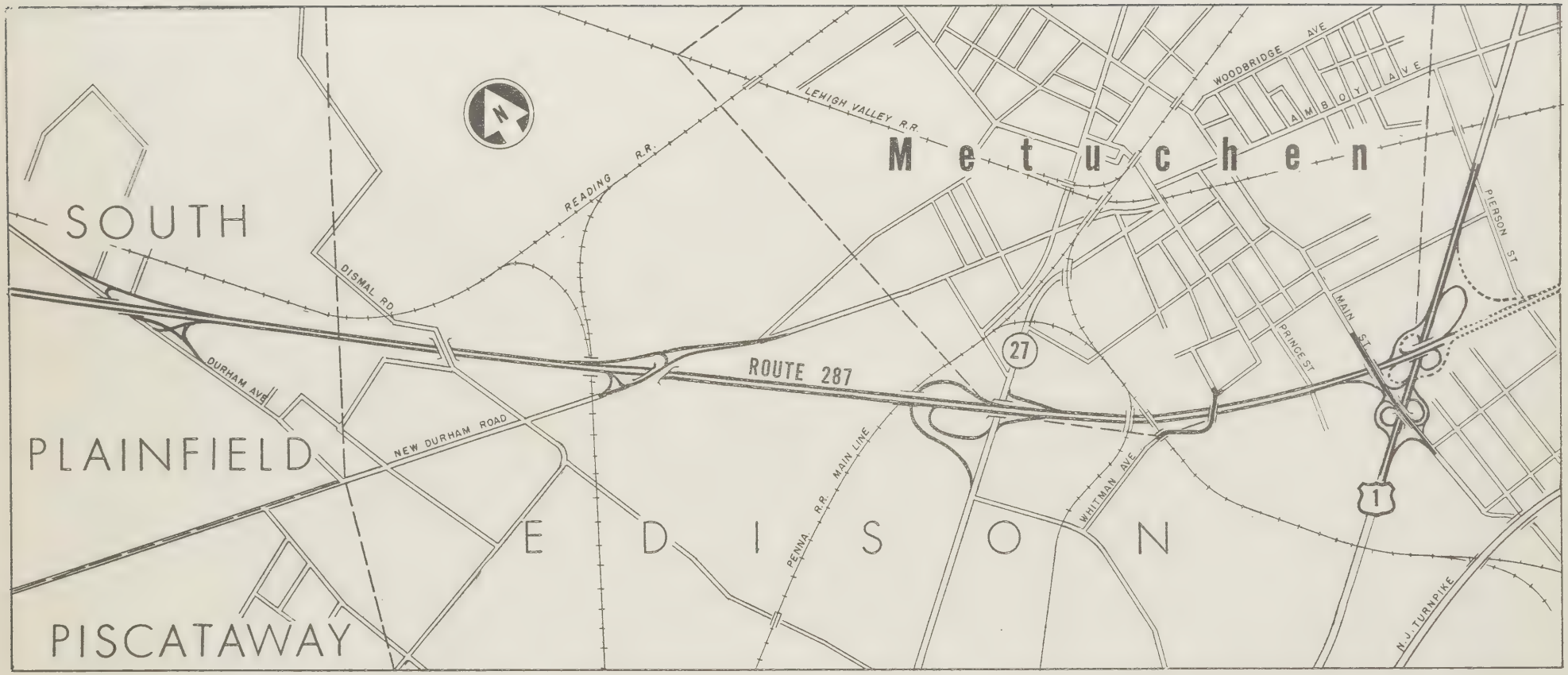
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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.
JUNE 27

1963
Interstate Route 287
Opening
Middlesex County

Trenton, June 27 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced that unless adverse weather conditions disrupt construction schedules, a new 2-mile section of Interstate Route 287 that includes its interchange with Route U.S. 1 near Metuchen, Middlesex County, will go into service July 1.

Opening of the new section, built at a cost of nearly $7.5 million, will provide motorists with a total of more than 13 miles of unbroken superhighway extending from Route U.S. 22 near Somerville to Route U. S. 1 in Metuchen Borough and Edison Township, Middlesex County.

The 1.7 mile portion of the new superhighway from New Durham Road in Edison Township to Prince Street in Metuchen as well as interchange facilities connecting Route 287 with Route U.S. 1 will be opened without ceremony in order that the facility will be available for the Independence Day weekend traffic peaks.

West of Route 27, where an interchange has been constructed, Interstate Route 287 has six traffic lanes. East of Route 27 there are 8 lanes leading to the new interchange at Route U.S. 1.

New bridges carry Route 287 over the Pennsylvania Railroad, over Route 27 and under the PRR Westinghouse and Bonhampton Railroad spurs. An underpass bridge carries Whitman Avenue over the highway.

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Interstate Route 287
Opening
Middlesex County

The 6.5 mile portion of the Interstate Route lying between the River Road interchange (Route 18) and New Durham Road was open last winter and the 4.6 mile portion extending eastward from Route U.S. 22 to Route 18 was opened in the summer of 1962.

Three lanes of traffic will be carried in each direction, eastbound and westbound, separated by a grass center island divider along the 13 mile section of superhighway between Route 22 and Route U.S. 1.

Connections are provided at Route 22 in Bridgewater Towns hip; at Route 28 in Bound Brook and at Foot Hill Road and Finderne Road. In Franklin Township, connections are provided at Weston Canal Road, Easton Avenue and River Avenue.

In Piscataway Township, connections are provided at the Route 18 interchange, Possumtown Road, Randolphville Road, Washington Avenue and Stelton Road.

Connections are provided at New Durham Road, Route 27 and at Route U.S. 1 and Main Street in Edison Township and Metuchen Borough.

Route U.S. 1, in the interchange area, has been widened. Instead of the 2 concrete roadways carrying two lanes of traffic in each direction, it now consists of two three-lane roadways separated by concrete center islands. Main Street is now a 4 lane roadway having a bituminous concrete surface.

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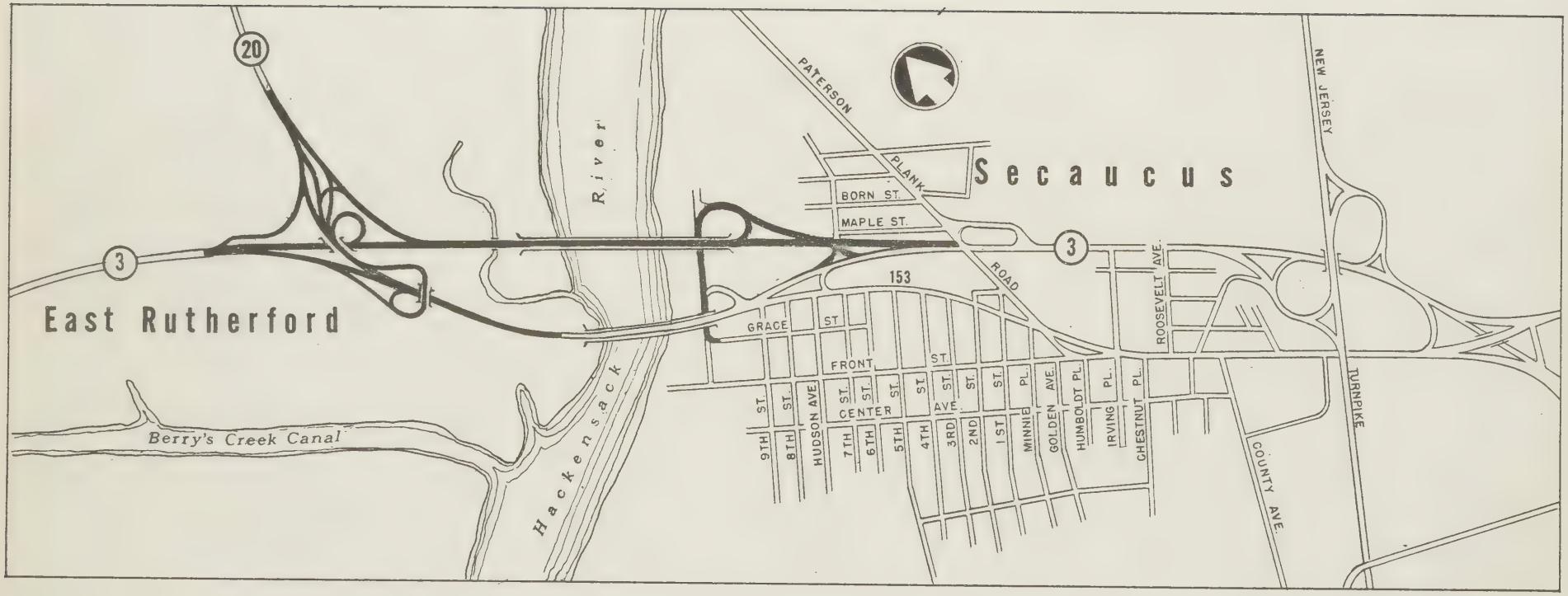
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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'s

1963
Route 3 - Opening
Hackensack River Bridge
Hudson and Bergen Counties

Trenton, June 27 - Governor Richard J. Hughes will be principal speaker next Tuesday, July 2, at New Jersey State Highway Department ceremonies dedicating the new Route 3 bridge over the Hackensack River.

Immediately following the dedication exercises, which are scheduled to start at 9:30 p.m. on the bridge, Governor Hughes, Highway Commissioner Dwight R. G. Palmer will join with several other State, County and local officials in officially opening the structure to regular traffic use.

The new bridge spans the Hackensack River between East Rutherford, in Bergen County, and Secaucus, in Hudson County. Its completion marks the first major accomplishment in an overall plan for improvement of Route 3 from the Lincoln Tunnel westerly to Route 46 in Passaic County.

Action on the improvement of Route 3 was begun in 1958 following legislative approval of the first step in the plan. Public hearings were first held in 1959.

Completion of the new bridge will enable the Department to proceed with plans to provide two one-way traffic bridges for Route 3 over the Hackensack River. The new bridge will carry two-way traffic for a time while the existing drawbridge, located 900 feet to the south, is rebuilt.

The new bridge will eventually carry four lanes of westbound traffic and the existing bridge, after it is rebuilt, will carry four lanes of eastbound traffic. Thus the present daily traffic load of more than 75,000 vehicles which cross the existing drawbridge will be eased.

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Route 3 - Opening
Hackensack River Bridge
Hudson and Bergen Counties

Work on the substructure of the new 2,650 foot long bridge began in August 1961 and was completed one year later at a cost of $2.6 million. Work on the $2.4 million superstructure began in December 1961. A feature of the new bridge is the low-level roadway illumination system which is contained within the handrail of the bridge. The $5 million structure has a 50 foot clearance over the river channel.

The rebuilding and raising of the old drawbridge is expected to begin soon. The present double-leaf bascule drawspan will be replaced by a fixed truss type span which will provide a 50 foot clearance over mean high water for marine traffic. Elimination of the need to delay traffic while the bridge is opened will result in added convenience and savings in time to motorists. It should be noted again that both directions of traffic on the Route will be diverted to the new bridge while the drawbridge is being rebuilt.

On the west side of the Hackensack River in East Rutherford, approach roadways to the Route 3 Hackensack River Bridges are being built at the convergence of Routes 3 and 20. Following improvement, the existing roadway of Route 3 will carry eastbound Route 3 and Route 20 to the rebuilt bridge. A new roadway will carry westbound traffic from the new bridge to westbound Route 3 and to northbound Route 20. The roadways will be surfaced with bituminous concrete. Cost of the dualization work will be about $4.0 million.

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Route 3 - Opening
Hackensack River Bridge
Hudson and Bergen Counties

The eastern approaches to the bridges are being built in Secaucus, Hudson County at a cost of $1.2 million. A new westbound roadway will carry three lanes of traffic from the Paterson Plank Road westward to the new bridge. Connections between the Route and local streets in Secaucus will be provided. The present Route 3 roadway on the east side of the river will remain as it is and it will eventually carry eastbound traffic from the existing bridge after it is rebuilt. Work will be completed later this year.

Further east of the Hackensack River crossings, a 1.7 mile section of Route 3 is being dualized between Paterson Plank Road, near 7th Street, in Secaucus, and the Route 3 - Tonnelle Avenue junction in North Bergen Township. Three lanes of traffic will be carried in each direction separated by a center island and concrete barrier curb. Marginal roads will provide safer access to interchange ramps as well as to roadside properties. At the western limit of the project an interchange is being built to connect westbound Route 3 and the Paterson Plank Road. Further east, the eastbound roadway of Route 3 will connect to the Paterson Plank Road and to the southbound side of the New Jersey Turnpike.

Construction is now underway at the location where the Turnpike crosses over Route 3 to widen and lengthen the bridge in preparation for improvements to be made to the Turnpike as well as the dualization of Route 3 under the bridge.

East of the Turnpike, eastbound Paterson Plank Road traffic will connect to the

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new eastbound roadway of Route 3. Where Paterson Plank Road crosses Route 3 east of the Turnpike, a set of interchange ramps will be provided to eliminate present hazardous left turn movements. Connections between Route 3 and the Turnpike and between the Route and Tonnelle Avenue will be provided at the eastern limit of the project. The work will cost nearly $4 million.

From the New Jersey Turnpike eastward to the Lincoln Tunnel, a distance of 3.6 miles, Route 3 will be converted to a limited access freeway and designated Interstate Route 495. Construction of this expressway directly into the Lincoln Tunnel cost $14.8 million.

Costs of the Route 3 projects are shared equally by the Federal Government and New Jersey. The Federal Government will pay 90% percent of the cost of Interstate Route 495 construction.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'s

1963
Historical Site Signs
Hunterdon & Salem Counties

Trenton, June 27 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it started this week to erect new historic site signs along State highways in Hunterdon and Salem Counties.

Prior to this, new historic site signs have been erected along the highways in Mercer and Monmouth Counties.

The Highway Department is cooperating with the New Jersey Historic Sites Revaluation Committee in their state-wide program to erect new, more legible signs at historic sites within the State, by furnishing the equipment and manpower needed to erect all such signs located on the State Highway System.

Sites along the Highway System in Hunterdon County are:

Old York Road - U.S. Route 202, Larisons Corner.
Lebanon - U.S. Route 22, Town of Lebanon.
Frenchtown - Route 12, Frenchtown
Flemington Raid - Route 69, eight miles north of Ringoes.
Flemington - U.S. Route 202, Flemington
Lambertville - U.S. Route 202, Lambertville.
Centerville - U.S. Route 202, Centerville.

Sites along the Highway System in Salem County are:

Salem Oak Tree - Route 49, Quaker Cemetary, Salem.
Quinton's Bridge, Route 49, Quinton.
Hancock Massacre - Route 49, Quinton.
Salem - Route 49, Salem.

Erection of new signs relating to historic sites along State highways in other counties will be announced by the Highway Department.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'S

1963
Interstate Route 78
Right-of-Way Acquisition
Somerset-Hunterdon Counties

Trenton, June 27 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it will soon begin the process of acquiring the right-of-way needed for construction of Interstate Route 78 in Somerset and Hunterdon Counties.

The path of the future highway extends west about six miles from the crossing of Interstate Route 78 and Interstate Route 287 in Somerset County, to Rockaway Creek in Hunterdon County. An allocation of $1 million was made in the Department's current construction program to purchase all of the necessary right-of-way in this section.

A Highway Department spokesman said letters have been mailed to 44 owners of 69 parcels of land located within the corridor, advising them their properties will be affected. Included with the letter is a printed booklet describing the Department's procedures for negotiating with the owners.

If any of the properties includes an occupied dwelling, a second pamphlet is enclosed which describes the Department's new Relocation Advisory Assistance and Relocation Payments services.

Construction of the highway between the Route 78-287 interchange near Pluckemin and Rockaway Creek will extend the highway about half way to Annandale. In 1959, a section of Interstate Route 78 was constructed from Annandale westward around Clinton.

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Interstate Route 78
Right-of-Way Acquisition
Somerset-Hunterdon Counties

The next step in the Department's plans is to acquire right-of-way for the remaining distance from Rockaway Creek to Annandale.

South of the Route 78-287 interchange, Interstate Route 287 is under construction for about 8 miles southward to Route 22 near Somerville.

South of Somerville, Route 287 is open to traffic for 11 miles to New Durham Road in Edison Township, Middlesex County. Another 2 miles eastward to Route 1 near Metuchen is under construction, and should be carrying traffic this summer.

The letter recently sent property owners informs them that, in the near future, they will be visited by a Highway Department representative who will gather information about the property and take photographs.

In the near future the owners will receive visits from Department representatives who will list the features and history of the properties, and photograph the buildings and land features.

The next step will see State Highway Department appraisers visiting the properties to ascertain fair market values. They will be followed by Department negotiators who will negotiate the sale of the properties.

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The spokesman pointed out the negotiation procedures are similar to private person-to-person transactions. He said the one main exception is that the State, because it is acting in the public interest, has the right to require that the owner sell his property at a fair price.

If the owner exercises his right to reject the offer, a court-appointed three-man commission will set the fair market price. If the owner still thinks the price is not fair, he can appeal to the State Superior Court, and the price will be fixed by jury trial.

The spokesman noted that out of every 100 negotiations between the Highway Department and land owners, less than five cases go to the courts, and added that a portion of this small percentage usually is due to faulty titles.

He attributed the high percentage of property negotiations which are settled on a friendly basis to the Department's procedures, which are based on professional practices and standards; and the Department's desire to exhaust all amicable means for negotiating the sale.

The booklet describing the new Relocation Advisory Assistance service was attached to letters mailed to owners and tenants who must move out of the way of the Federal Aid Highway construction. This program is

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designed to aid them in finding new residences. Another part of the same service, available after the families or tenants move, will provide up to $200 of the moving costs.

If a business must relocate, a moving cost reimbursement of up to $3,000 will be available.

The spokesman added that the Department will contact those eligible for the Relocation services well in advance of their actual need.

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RELEASE FIRDAY JUNE 21 WEEK OF JUNE 22 - JUNE 28

Trenton, June 21 - The New Jersey State Highway Department, as part of a continuing service to the public, today issued a list of locations within the State where road construction and maintenance may cause interference to motorists during the week of June 22 - June 28.

Atlantic

Route 9, Somers Point and Linwood -- Minor delays to traffic during water main installation.

Bergen

Route 3, East Rutherford -- Traffic will be guided through the construction area as work proceeds. Southbound Route 20 traffic desiring to reach westbound Route 3 will detour by way of Paterson Plank Road and Route 17 to Route 3, the condition will continue for about 6 months.

In the construction area west of the Hackensack River there will be occasional delays to traffic resulting from movement of construction equipment across the highway. The condition will continue for about 6 months.

Route 46, Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro -- Minor delays to traffic may be expected for the next week during resurfacing operations on the bridge and approaches carrying the roadway over the New Jersey and New York Railroad. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue for another week.

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1963
TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Bergen cont'd

Route 80, Teaneck, Ridgefield Park, Bogota -- The detour at Teaneck Road between Arthur Street and Jasper Avenue will remain until October, 1963 and the detour at Queen Anne Road between Arthur Street and Cypress Avenue will remain until July, 1963. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

North Avenue will be blocked off between Seventh Street and Second Street for an indefinite period. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

Route 80, Township of Hackensack, Teterboro and City of Hackensack -- There will be a slight delay to traffic on Hudson Street in Hackensack from Vreeland Avenue to Dock Street and on Huyler Street in South Hackensack from Florida Street to Virginia Street due to utility work being performed in this area. The condition will continue for about five months.

Washington Avenue and Jackson Avenue have been reopened to traffic.

Route 95, Teaneck -- Fort Lee Road is detoured between Glenwood Avenue and the Overpeck Creek Bridge. Glenwood Avenue is detoured between Fort Lee Road and Cypress Street. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue until paving operations are completed.

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1963
TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Bergen cont'd

Route 95, Fort Lee -- Edgewood Road is cut off until the bridge is built over Route 95. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue until July, 1963.

Bergen-Passaic

Route 80, Paterson, East Paterson -- Traffic on Lakeview Avenue is now being detoured via Maryland Avenue, Trenton Avenue, and Alabama Avenue to permit excavation operations to continue in a westerly direction. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue for 2 months.

Market Street will be closed between Route 20 and 39th Street. Traffic will be detoured around the jug handle on Route 20 to 21st Avenue. The condition will continue for 2 weeks.

Burlington

Route 130, City of Burlington -- Southbound traffic will be confined to one lane for short distances at various locations. The condition will continue for 6 weeks.

Burlington-Camden

Route 130, Burlington, Edgewater Park, Delanco, Delran, Pennsauken, Cinnaminson-

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Burlington-Camden cont'd

Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction in certain locations, northbound and southbound from Bridgeboro to Riverton during paving operations. No interference is expected from north of Bridgeboro to Burlington. Traffic will return to normal 2 lanes in each direction on weekends. The condition will continue until July, 1963.

Camden

Route 38, Pennsauken and Cherry Hill Townships -- Slight interference to traffic for next 3 months during widening operations on the shoulders.

Route 168, Camden -- Minor delays while water main is installed. No weekend interference.

At the intersection of Routes 130 and 168 resurfacing operations are underway.

Cumberland

Route 47, Port Elizabeth -- Minor delays during gas line installation.

Essex

Route 21, Belleville-- Traffic will be reduced to two lanes during construction on the southbound lanes.

Hudson

Route 3, Secaucus -- All traffic will be diverted to the eastbound roadway where two-way traffic will be maintained during construction of the westbound Route 3 approach to the Hackensack River Bridge. The condition will continue until the end of June.

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Hudson cont'd

Occasional delays to traffic in the area of the operations to widen the Turnpike Bridge while equipment moves in the construction area. The condition will continue until the end of 1963.

Mercer

Route 29, West Trenton - Utility company installing sanitary sewers. Traffic reduced to one lane during daylight operations.

Route 175, West Trenton -- Utility company installing sewers in the vicinity of Villa Victoria. Traffic will be reduced to one lane during daylight working hours.

Middlesex

Route 9, Sayreville -- Minor delays during resurfacing operations. No evening or weekend interference.

Route 18, East Brunswick -- Some interference may be expected during excavation operations along the right side of the northbound lanes of Route 18 in the vicinity of Milltown Road and Cranbury Road. The condition will continue for 4 to 6 weeks.

At various locations from Rues Lane to Main Street on Route 18, traffic will be restricted to single lanes, northbound and southbound during drainage excavation operations.

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Middlesex cont'd

New Street will be closed between John Street and Route 18 until New Street overpass is built.

Route 287, Metuchen, Edison Township -- The intersection at Main Street and Route 1 is now open to traffic. Some restriction of traffic is expected along Route 1 in the vicinity of Main Street for both directions of traffic.

Monmouth

Route 9, Freehold -- Interference to traffic will result from trucks moving materials around the work area.

Route 36, Raritan Township, Union Beach, Keansburg -- Slight interference to traffic at Waackaak Creek, East Creek and Flat Creek. The condition will continue until the end of the year.

Route 36, Seabright -- Traffic will be directed through the construction area at the Ocean Avenue intersection for the next 2 weeks.

Route 36, Highlands -- Minor delays during resurfacing operations. No evening or weekend interference.

Route 38, Wall Township -- Surface treatment operations are underway on Route 38 between Routes 35 and 34. No evening or weekend interference.

Morris

Route 15, Twp. of Rockaway, Twp. of Jefferson -- Slight interference due to movement of trucks on Route 15 during dualization work on the route.

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Morris cont'd

Route 287, Parsippany-Troy Hills, Boonton -- Intervale Road Bridge was opened to traffic on or about June 11. Both directions of traffic on Route 202 (Parsippany Boulevard) use the Intervale Road bridge to cross over Route 287.

Passaic

Route 46, Paterson -- Minor delays to traffic during removal of old pavement on the Passaic River Bridge.

Salem

Route 130, Bridgeport to Penns Grove -- Slight interference during resurfacing operations. No evening or weekend interference.

Somerset

Route 206, Bolmers Corner to Belle Meade -- Utility company installing conduits in shoulder area. Occasional restriction of traffic to one lane. No weekend or evening interference.

Route 287, Bridgewater Township -- Traffic will be detoured to temporary North Bridge Street via 3rd Avenue and Lenox Avenue during construction of North Bridge Street bridge. The condition will continue for about 1 month.

There will be a short detour for U.S. 202-206 traffic beginning at a point about 200 feet north of the Bridgewater Township Municipal Building in the vicinity of the construction of the Route 287 interchange. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. The condition will continue for 1 week.

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Somerset cont'd

Traffic is detoured on Route 202-206, on Woodlawn Avenue and on Garretson Road while the Woodlawn Avenue-Garretson Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 2 months.

Gaston Avenue will be closed to through traffic. Traffic from westbound Route 22 will have to use Kinsey Road or Adamsville Road to get to Foothill Road or Somerville Road. The condition will continue for 2 months.

Foothill Road will be closed to all traffic from Adamsville Road to Route U.S. 202 during construction of Foothill Road bridge. Traffic will have to use Adamsville Road to reach U.S. 22. The condition will continue for 3 months.

Talamini Road, which runs from Routes 202-206 to Country Club Road, has been closed temporarily while Talamini Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 2 months.

Route 287, Bridgewater, Bedminster -- Cedar Brook Road is closed to traffic during construction of Interstate Route 287. An overpass will be constructed for Cedar Brook Road. The condition will continue for 2 months.

Route 287, Pluckemin and Bedminster -- Occasional interference to traffic when construction equipment works on Burnt Mills Road. The condition will continue for two weeks.

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1963
TRAFFIC CONDITIONS REPORT

Union

Route 1, Elizabeth -- Slight delay to traffic during pavement repair work in preparation for resurfacing. No evening or weekend interference.

Route 27, Linden, Roselle, Elizabeth -- Slight delay to traffic during widening operations work.

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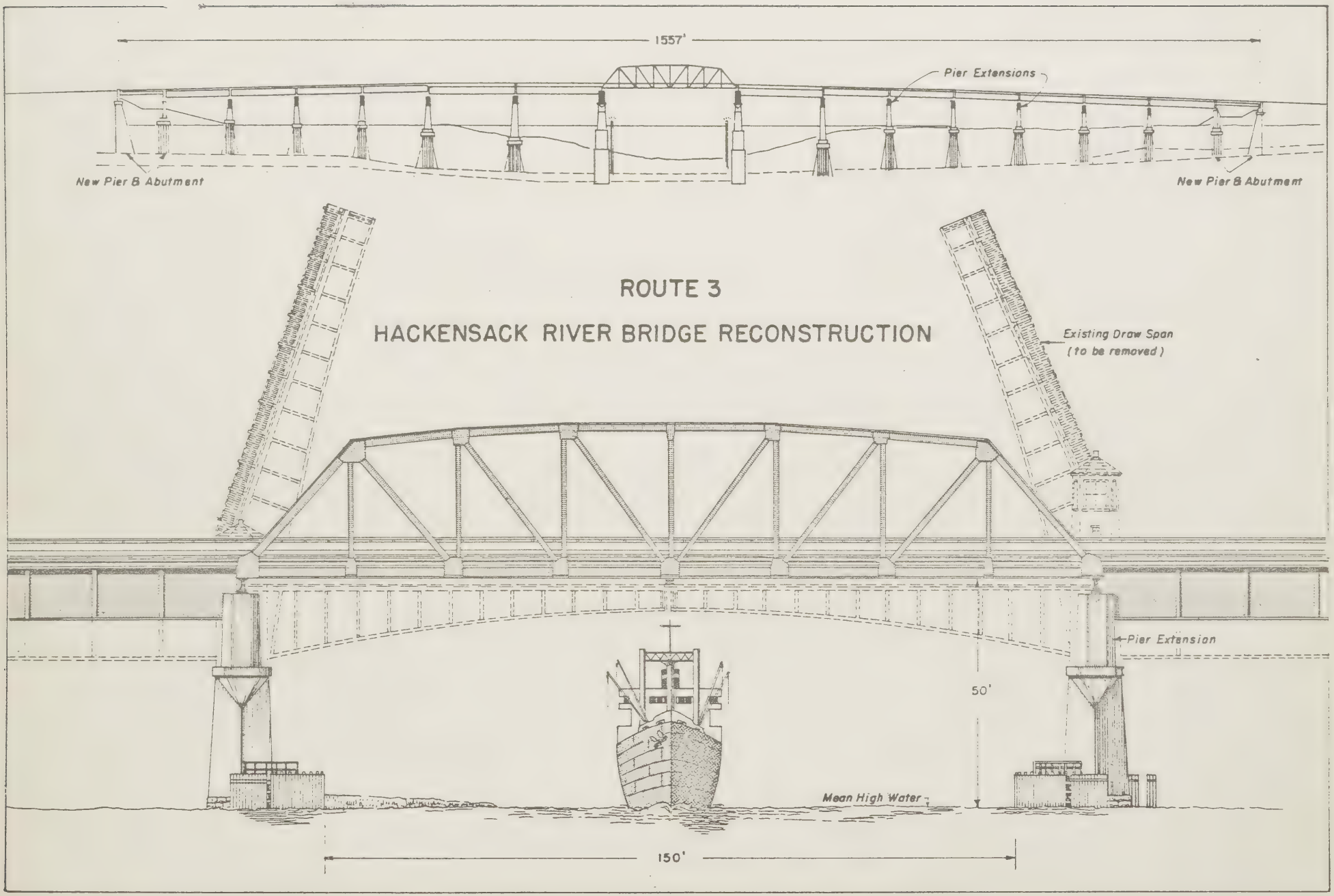
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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
Route 3 - BIDS
Hackensack River Bridge
Reconstruction
Bergen and Hudson Counties

Trenton, June 20 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced a low bid of $2,707,525.00 was received from Cayuga Construction Corp., N.Y.C., on a project for the raising and reconstruction of the Route 3 Hackensack River Drawbridge between Secaucus, Hudson County and East Rutherford, Bergen County.

Costs of the project, which is expected to be completed by May 29, 1964, will be shared equally by the Federal Government and New Jersey. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

Other bidders on the project were: Brookfield Construction Co., Inc., N.Y.C., $2,858,896.50; Karl Koch Erecting Co., Inc., Bronx, N.Y., $2,974,740.00; Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls, $2,976,981.50; Schiavone Construction Co., Inc., Secaucus, $3,250,150.50 and Conduit and Foundation Corp., Phila., $3,531,615.00.

Work will consist of removal of the existing double leaf bascule draw span which provides a 35 foot minimum clearance over the navigable channel, and erection of a fixed truss type span with provision for a 50 foot clearance over mean high water. Elimination of the need to open the bridge for passage of marine traffic will result in added convenience and savings in time to motorists.

It is expected that removal of all concrete in the superstructure for the purpose of reducing dead load prior to raising the steel work on the approach spans will be the first step in the construction operations.

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Route 3 - BIDS
Hackensack River Bridge
Reconstruction
Bergen & Hudson Counties

The raised steel work will be placed on new prefabricated steel pedestals built up on the existing piers. The height of the pedestals varies from 10 to 17 feet depending upon locations in the bridge.

Because of the raising of the roadway profile, one new 60 foot span will be constructed at each end of the bridge. This will maintain a maximum grade of 3½% for vehicular traffic.

Demolition of the existing bascule span will involve the removal of about 500 tons of steel and 400 cubic yards of counter weight concrete in each half.

The new 185 foot long welded truss span will probably be preassembled off the site, floated into position on barges and erected to a fixed position on the piers.

The bridge deck will be of reinforced concrete and will eventually carry 4 lanes of eastbound traffic.

During construction all Route 3 traffic will be diverted to the recently completed fixed span bridge located north of the draw bridge. Two lanes of traffic will be provided in each direction eastbound and westbound plus an added reversible lane controlled by overhead traffic signals. The detour condition will continue for about one year while the draw bridge is re-built. Eventually the new bridge will carry 4 lanes of westbound traffic.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
Wheat Road - BIDS
City of Vineland
Cumberland County
Federal Aid Secondary

Trenton, June 20 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced a low bid of $104,508.46 was received from Rudolph Meckel and Son, Inc., Vineland on a project for the reconstruction of a portion of Wheat Road between East Avenue and Main Road in the City of Vineland, Cumberland County.

Other bidders on the project were: Michael J. Stavola, Inc., Red Bank, $107,838.49; A. H. Lupton, Jr., Inc., Bridgeton, $109,062.92; Sheer Bros., Inc., Salem, $109,700.10; Bancheri Construction Co., Inc., Hammonton, $115,488.00; South Jersey Construction Co., Riverside, $129,276.90.

Following excavation of the existing 20 foot wide roadway, a new 24 foot wide roadway will be built consisting of an 8 inch thickness of compacted gravel base course topped by a two inch thick bituminous concrete surface. Surface treated gravel shoulders 8 feet wide will border both sides of the new roadway.

Wheat Road will continue to carry one lane of traffic in each direction, eastbound and westbound.

Improved portions of Wheat Road to the east of the proposed project were constructed in 1955 and 1957. Upon completion of the proposed project, the improved portions of Wheat Road will extend eastward from East Avenue

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Wheat Road - BIDS
City of Vineland
Cumberland County
Federal Aid Secondary

beyond the Atlantic - Cumberland County Line to the intersection with Route U. S. 40 at Buena.

Costs of the 1.3 mile project will be shared equally by the Federal Government and Cumberland County. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
Route 22 - ADV
Newark Viaduct Repair
Newark
Essex County

Trenton, June 20 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced bids will be received July 11 on a contract for repairing the deck of the Route 22 viaduct in Newark, Essex County.

The 3100 foot long viaduct carries two lanes of Route 22 traffic in each direction, eastbound and westbound, over the Waverly Yards of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Proposed work will include removal of the existing bituminous concrete pavement as well as part of the reinforced concrete beneath the surface of the two outer lanes of the viaduct.

Special efforts are being made by the Department to accommodate both regular and peak-hour traffic volumes on Route 22. Chemical accelerators will be added to hasten strength build-up in newly poured concrete. Work areas will not be excavated and re-poured until after morning peak-hour traffic has diminished (approximately 9:30 a.m. daily). Each such area will be back in service to carry traffic by 6 a.m. the following day, thus making all four lanes of the viaduct available for traffic during the morning peak hours.

Throughout the balance of each day and night, while the contractor is working on the viaduct, two existing lanes of the viaduct will be available

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Route 22 - ADV
Newark Viaduct Repair
Newark
Essex County

for westbound traffic. Eastbound traffic during this period will be separated as to destination and routed over local streets. Those headed for Newark proper will be sent over Victor Street and into Newark on Frelinghuysen Avenue. Those headed for points east of Newark will be directed over a short new connecting roadway to Meeker Avenue and Haynes Avenue in order to reach U. S. 1.

Completion of improvements to the viaduct is set for August 31, 1963. All remaining work including removing detour road, clean up, etc. is to be finished by October 15, 1963.

All costs of the project will be paid by the New Jersey State Highway Department. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

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RELEASE THURSDAY A.M.'s or P.M.'s
JUNE 20

1963
New Jersey Transportation Study
Land Use Survey

Trenton, June 20 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced field survey work to determine existing land uses in the 10 county northern metropolitan area will begin within the next few weeks.

The inventory will provide part of the basic information upon which 20-year estimates of the area's travel needs will be developed in one of the largest such studies yet undertaken in this Country.

Approximately 125 young men, mostly college undergraduates on summer vacation, are currently attending special training sessions at the Newark College of Engineering to prepare them for making the field surveys. In general, the completed field listing will include all activities or land uses presently in existence throughout the 10-county area. For example, one building might house a bank, a post office and a drugstore. Each of these will be listed separately.

The New Jersey Transportation Study will cover all of Bergen, Passaic, Hudson, Essex, Morris, Mercer, Union, Somerset, Middlesex and Monmouth Counties. It is being undertaken by the New Jersey State Highway Department in cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Public Roads and the 10 individual counties.

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New Jersey Transportation Study
Land Use Survey

All information collected will be available to local communities and counties for use in their own planning. The data will be stored on magnetic tape and the most modern computers and electronic data systems used to interpret the findings.

Temporary field offices are being opened this month at these locations in New Jersey:

73 Monmouth Street, Red Bank
507 Middlesex Avenue, Metuchen
20 Park Place, Morristown
19 North Harrison Street, East Orange
355 Frelinghuysen Avenue, Newark
2900 Hudson Boulevard, Jersey City
165 Prospect Street, Passaic
107 First Street, Hackensack
75 North Maple Avenue, Ridgewood

The study itself will be concerned with all types of transportation, both present and future. Under agreements now being prepared, the Federal Government will pay 2/3 of the total cost of the study, the Highway Department will pay 2/9 of the balance, and each county will pay 1/9 on a pro-rata basis according to population.

The study has been planned so that the effort will be coordinated with the work of the Tri-State Transportation Committee, and the data collected in New Jersey will be made available to the Committee. This will assist the Committee in its efforts to plan future transportation requirements in the metropolitan area of Connecticut, New York and New Jersey.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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ROUTE 29 - TRAFFIC RESTRICTION
TRENTON, MERCER COUNTY

Trenton, June 19 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced traffic will be restricted on Route 29 (River Road) in Trenton at a location just north of the point where the Reading Railroad crosses the Delaware River.

Partial collapse of an old stone arch culvert which has carried a stream under the highway for many years will require some restriction of traffic on Route 29 until repairs can be made.

The culvert will be shored up and new traffic lines painted to keep vehicles away from the weak area. Appropriate signs will be installed.

In the same location, operations are underway to install sanitary sewer lines which will cause slight added delay to traffic.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'s

1963
TRAFFIC SIGNAL - Route 36
Borough of Sea Bright
Monmouth County

Trenton, June 20 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced the installation of a semi-actuated traffic signal on Route 36 in the Borough of Sea Bright, Monmouth County.

The installation of a traffic signal is part of an overall highway improvement program now underway to ease traffic conditions at the entrance from Route 36 and Ocean Avenue into Sandy Hook State Park.

The State will pay the cost of construction and maintenance of the installation.

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RELEASE FRIDAY P.M.'s

1963
TRAFFIC REGULATION
Interstate Route 78
Bethlehem Township
Hunterdon County

Trenton, June 14 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced new no parking zones along Interstate Route 78 in Bethlehem Township, Hunterdon County.

As a safety measure stopping or standing will be prohibited at all times along both sides of Interstate Route 78 starting west of the Truck Rest at Jug Town Mountain and extending approximately to the Musconetcong Tunnel overpass.

This new regulation will become effective with the posting of regulatory signs in the affected area. This is expected within two weeks.

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NEW JERSEY

Traffic Conditions Report

STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Bureau of Public Information
Trenton 25, New Jersey
TUxedo 2-3000

RELEASE FRIDAY JUNE 14 WEEK OF JUNE 15 - JUNE 21

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Bergen cont'd

approaches carrying the roadway over the New Jersey and New York Railroad. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue for another week.

Route 80, Teaneck, Ridgefield Park, Bogota — The detour at Teaneck Road between Arthur Street and Jasper Avenue will remain until October, 1963 and the detour at Queen Anne Road between Arthur Street and Cypress Avenue will remain until July, 1963. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

North Avenue will be blocked off between Seventh Street and Second Street for an indefinite period. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week.

Route 80, Township of Hackensack, Teterboro and City of Hackensack -- There will be slight delays to traffic on Hudson Street an Hackensack from Vreeland Avenue to Dock Street and on Huyler Street in South Hackensack from Florida Street to Virginia Street due to utility work being performed in this area. The condition will continue for about five months.

Route 95, Teaneck -- Fort Lee Road is detoured between Glenwood Avenue and the Overpeck Creek Bridge. Glenwood Avenue is detoured between Fort Lee Road and Cypress Street. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue until paving operations are completed.

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Bergen cont'd

Route 95, Fort Lee -- Edgewood Road is cut off until the bridge is built over Route 95. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue until July, 1963.

Bergen-Passaic

Route 80, Paterson, East Paterson -- Traffic on Lakeview Avenue is now being detoured via Maryland Avenue, Trenton Avenue, and Alabama Avenue to permit excavation operations to continue in a westerly direction. The condition is the same as that which prevailed last week and it will continue for 2 months.

River Drive, in East Paterson, will be closed for about 1 week while it is being repaved. Traffic may use the Boulevard or Route 20 to detour around the construction area.

Market Street will be closed between Route 20 and 39th Street. Traffic will be detoured around the jug handle on Route 20 to 21st Avenue. The condition will continue for 3 weeks.

Burlington

Route 130, City of Burlington -- Northbound traffic is now using the new bypass. Southbound traffic will be confined to one lane for short distances at various locations. The condition will continue for 4 to 6 weeks.

Burlington-Camden

Route 130, Burlington, Edgewater Park, Delanco, Delran, Pennsauken, Cinnaminson-

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Burlington-Camden cont'd

Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction in certain locations, northbound and southbound from Bridgeboro to Riverton during paving operations. No interference is expected from north of Bridgeboro to Burlington. Traffic will return to the normal 2 lanes in each direction on weekends. The condition will continue until July, 1963.

Camden

Route 38, Pennsauken and Cherry Hill Townships -- Slight interference to traffic for next 2 months during widening operations on the shoulders.

Route 168, Camden -- Minor delays while water main is installed. No weekend interference.

Cumberland

Route 47, Port Elizabeth -- Minor delays during gas line installation.

Essex

Route 21, Bellville -- Traffic will be reduced to two lanes during construction on the southbound lanes.

Hudson

Route 3, Secaucus -- All traffic will be diverted to the eastbound roadway where two-way traffic will be maintained during construction of the westbound Route 3 approach to the Hackensack River Bridge. The condition will continue until the end of June.

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Hudson cont'd

Occasional delays to traffic in the area of the operations to widen the Turnpike Bridge while equipment moves in the construction area. The condition will continue until the end of 1963.

Mercer

Route 29, West Trenton -- Utility company installing sanitary sewers. Traffic reduced to one lane during daylight operations.

Foute 175, West Trenton -- Utility company installing sewers in the vicinity of Villa Victoria. Traffic will be reduced to one lane during daylight working hours.

Middlesex

Route 18, East Brunswick -- Some interference may be expected during excavation operations along the right side of the northbound lanes of Route 18 in the vicinity of Milltown Road and Cranbury Road. The condition will continue for 5 to 7 weeks.

At various locations from Rues Lane to Main Street on Route 18, traffic will be restricted to single lanes, northbound and southbound during drainage excavation operations.

New Street will be closed between John Street and Route 18 until New Street overpass is built.

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Middlesex cont'd

Route 287, Metuchen, Edison Township -- The intersection at Main Street and Route 1 is now open to traffic. Some restriction of traffic is expected along Route 1 in the vicinity of Main Street for both directions of traffic.

Monmouth

Route 9, Freehold -- Interference to traffic will result from trucks moving materials around the work area.

Route 34, Colt's Neck to Matawan -- Minor delays during resurfacing operations.

Route 36, Raritan Township, Union Beach, Keansburg -- Slight interference to traffic at Waackaak Creek, East Creek and Flat Creek. The condition will continue until the end of the year.

Route 36, Seabright -- Traffic will be directed through the construction area at the Ocean Avenue intersection for the next 2 weeks.

Morris

Route 15, Twp. of Rockaway, Twp. of Jefferson -- Slight interference due to movement of trucks on Route 15 during dualization work on the route.

Route 287, Parsippany-Troy Hills, Boonton -- Intervale Road Bridge is expected to be opened to traffic on or about June 15. Both directions of traffic on Route 202 (Parsippany Boulevard) will use the Intervale Road bridge to cross over Route 287.

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Passaic

Route 46, Paterson -- Minor delays to traffic during removal of old pavement on the Passaic River Bridge.

Salem

Route 130, Bridgeport to Penns Grove -- Slight interference during resurfacing operations. No evening or weekend interference.

Somerset

Route 206, Bolmers Corner to Belle Meade -- Utility company installing conduits in shoulder area. Occasional restriction of traffic to one lane. No weekend or evening interference.

Route 287, Bridgewater Township -- Traffic will be detoured to temporary North Bridge Street via 3rd Avenue and Lenox Avenue during construction of North Bridge Street bridge. The condition will continue for about 2 months.

There will be a short detour for U.S. 202-206 traffic beginning at a point about 200 feet north of the Bridgewater Township Municipal Building in the vicinity of the construction if the Route 287 interchange. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. The condition will continue for 2 weeks.

Traffic is detoured on Route 202-206, on Woodlawn Avenue and on Garretson Road while the Woodlawn Avenue-Garretson Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 2 months.

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Somerset cont'd

Gaston Avenue will be closed to through traffic. Traffic from westbound Route 22 will have to use Kinsey Road or Adamsville Road to get to Foothill Road or Somerville Road. The condition will continue for 3 months.

Foothill Road will be closed to all traffic from Adamsville Road to Route U.S. 202 during construction of Foothill Road bridge. Traffic will have to use Adamsville Road to reach U.S. 22. The condition will continue for 4 months.

Talamini Road, which runs from Routes 202-206 to Country Club Road, has been closed temporarily while Talamini Road bridge is being built. The condition will continue for about 2 months.

Route 287, Bridgewater, Bedminster -- Cedar Brook Road is closed to traffic during construction of Interstate Route 287. An overpass will be constructed for Cedar Brook Road. The condition will continue for 2 months.

Route 287, Pluckemin and Bedminster -- Occasional interference to traffic when construction equipment crosses Burnt Mills Road.

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Route 27, Linden, Elizabeth, Roselle -- Slight delay to traffic during widening operations work.

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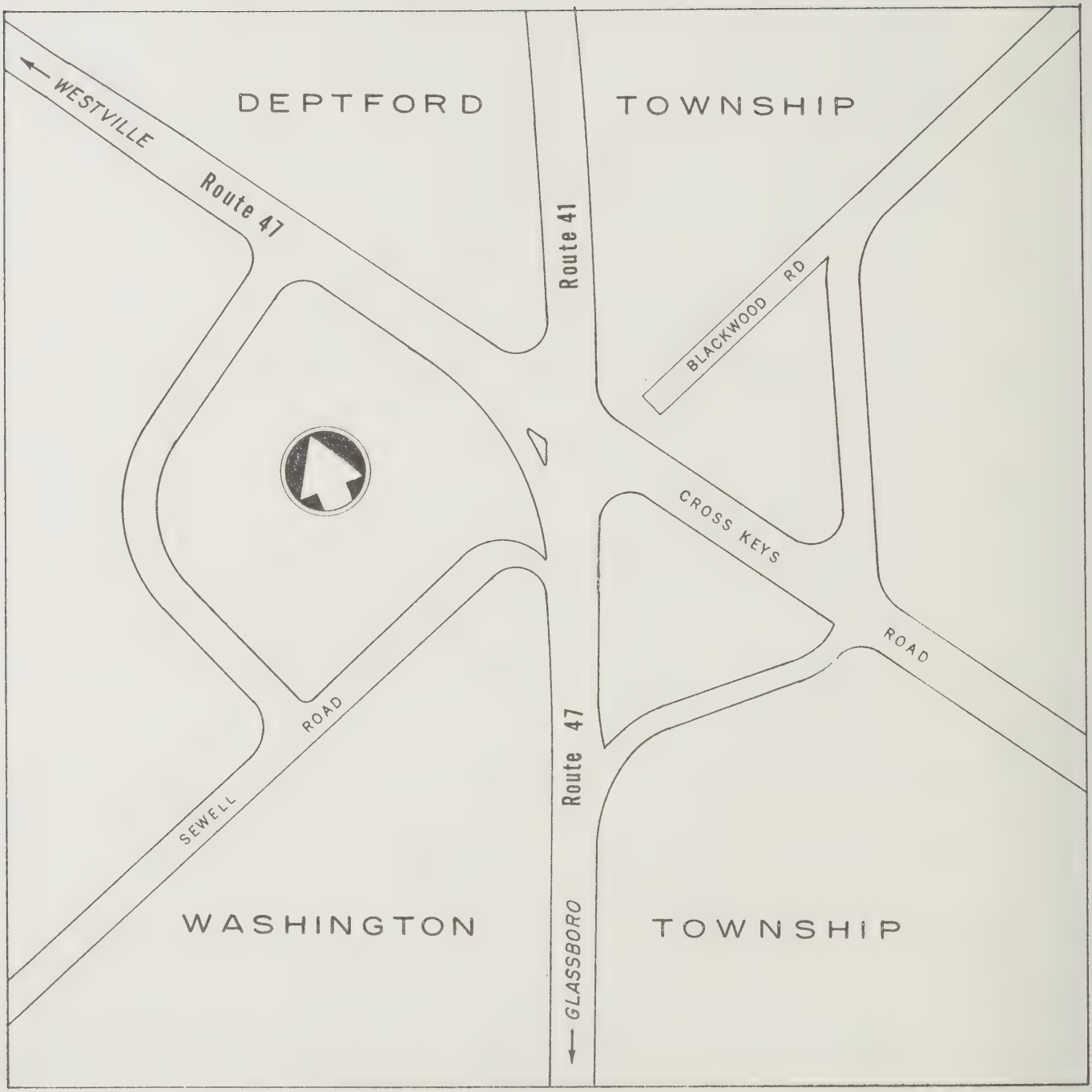
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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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ROUTE 47 - BIDS
Township of Deptford
Township of Washington
Gloucester County.

Trenton, June 13 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced a low bid of $148,323.00 was received from Clifford Ellis, Inc., Cherry Hill, for an intersection improvement on Route 47 in Gloucester County.

Other bidders on the project were: South Jersey Construction Co., Riverside, $149,357.59; Bancheri Construction Co., Hammonton, $152,089.35; A. H. Lupton, Jr., Inc., Bridgeton, $153,770.54.

Located at the intersection of six roads in Deptford and Washington Townships, the project will relieve congestion and improve traffic safety. Route 47 intersects with Route 41, the Barnsboro-Fairview Road, Blackwood Road and Fairview-Cross Keys Road in this location.

At present, the Blackwood-Barnsboro-Fairview Road goes all the way through the intersection. It is planned to cut off the Blackwood Road about 350 feet east of the intersection. Three connecting ramps will be built to permit traffic to move more freely between adjacent roadways thereby reducing congestion and delay at the intersection.

The present two lanes of southbound traffic on Route 47 will be able to continue south through the intersection or to continue straight across the intersection to Cross Keys Road or to turn left at the intersection to the northbound roadway of Route 41.

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ROUTE 47 - BIDS

A ramp located about 350 feet north of the intersection on the southbound side of Route 47 will permit the two-way Route 47 traffic to connect with the Barnsboro-Fairview Road.

Eastbound traffic on the Barnsboro-Fairview Road desiring to reach Route 41, Cross Keys Road or Blackwood Road will do so by using the connecting ramp to the southbound side of Route 47 and then making a right turn toward the intersection from which the other roads may be reached.

Eastbound traffic on the Barnsboro-Fairview Road will merge with southbound Route 47 traffic about 150 feet south of the present intersection.

Route 47 traffic approaching the intersection from the south will connect to Cross Keys Road through a ramp located about 350 feet south of the intersection.

Northbound and southbound traffic on Cross Keys will connect to Blackwood Road through a ramp to be located on the northbound side of Cross Keys Road about 350 feet north of the intersection.

Route 41 terminates at the intersection. Southbound traffic on Route 41 will be able to continue across the intersection to the southbound roadway of Route 47, turn left to Cross Keys Road or turn right to the northbound roadway of Route 47. Traffic from Cross Keys Road and both directions of traffic on Route 47 will connect to Route 41 at the intersection.

All roadways and ramps will be surfaced with bituminous concrete. White concrete vertical curb will border the roadways.

Costs of the project, which will take about 75 working days to complete will be shared by the Federal Government and New Jersey. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
NEW JERSEY STATE COLLEGE
MONTCLAIR - BIDS
Parking Lot - Essex County.

Trenton, June 13 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced a single bid of $10,539.55 was received from Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls, on a project for the construction of a new parking lot at the New Jersey State College at Montclair, Essex County.

The proposed parking area will be located between Normal Avenue and Chapin Hall.

Highway Department plans call for the new lot to be built with a five inch thick macadam base course and a surface of bituminous concrete two inches thick. It will be about 125 feet long and about 150 feet wide. Concrete vertical curb will be built at various locations around the lot area.

The bid will be reviewed by State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded. The work is expected to be completed in 20 working days.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1963
Route 21 Freeway - ADV
Newark and Belleville
Essex County

Trenton, June 13 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced bids will be received July 11 for construction of another section of the Route 21 Freeway in Newark and Belleville, Essex County. The new section, located east of Main Street (McCarter Highway), which it nearly parallels, will absorb most of the heavy traffic volume now carried through town on the existing state highway.

The project will extend from Riverside Avenue in Newark to William Street in Belleville for a distance of about 1.2 miles along the west bank of the Passaic River. The new section will join existing Route 21 Freeway sections to the north and south which were constructed under prior contracts, completing the route from Clay Street, Newark, to north of Route 3 in Passaic.

Work will consist of construction of a six lane divided highway having 3 lanes in each direction, northbound and southbound. A viaduct will be built about 2,600 feet north of Riverside Avenue in the vicinity of Grafton Avenue which will carry the southbound lanes above the northbound lanes for a distance of about 1,600 feet.

A one-way connection from the northbound lanes of the freeway will be made to Main Street (McCarter Highway) at the southerly end of the viaduct in the vicinity of Irving Street. The pavement of this connection will be of reinforced concrete 9 inches thick.

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Route 21 Freeway - ADV
Newark and Belleville
Essex County

The northbound and southbound roadways will meet at ground level at the crossing of the Second River where a new 6 lane bridge will be built having a span length of 1,500 feet.

An underpass will be built at the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad crossing.

Riverside Avenue will be connected to the northbound lanes of the freeway through a ramp having a subbase 12 inches thick topped by a macadam base course seven inches thick and a bituminous concrete surface 2 inches thick bordered by white concrete vertical curb.

A 12 foot wide bituminous concrete access road to a local industrial plant will front the southbound side of the freeway from the Grafton Avenue intersection with Main Street to a point near the southerly end of the project where it will connect to the southbound lanes of the new route. Access from the Grafton Avenue intersection will be to the southbound lanes of the freeway only.

The main roadway of the six lane divided highway will be of reinforced concrete 9 inches thick having 10 foot wide bituminous concrete shoulders bordered by white concrete vertical curb. A curbed mall divider four feet wide will separate the northbound and southbound roadways.

At the northern limit of the project, the southbound lanes of the new route will connect to Main Street through a ramp having a pavement of

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reinforced concrete 9 inches thick bordered by white concrete vertical curb. Southbound Main Street will be rebuilt as a frontage road in this area.

A connection will be made from the northern limit of the project northward to the Rutgers Street Bridge over a ramp having a bituminous concrete surface bordered by white concrete vertical curb.

Embankment protection along the river will consist of reinforced concrete retaining walls, steel sheet piling and rip-rap slope protection as required.

An access tunnel stretching from the river to the tank storage area of the New Jersey Oil Company will be built under the new route.

Costs of the project, which will take about 350 days to complete, will be shared by the Federal Government and New Jersey. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

In reviewing progress of the 12 mile long Route 21 Freeway, a Highway Department spokesman noted that the improvement comes under the Department's master plan for modernizing the state highway system to meet traffic conditions and volumes anticipated in 1975.

Construction of the Freeway was started in 1953 at Clay Street in Newark. Approximately five and one-half miles have been completed between there and South Parkway, Clifton at a cost of more than $22 million.

The proposed project is located in about the middle of the completed portion.

Alignment of the remaining five and one-half miles of the Freeway extending north to Interstate Route 80 in the vicinity of Paterson is under study.

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RELEASE UPON RECEIPT

1963
Historical Site Signs
Monmouth County

Trenton, June 13 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it started this week to erect new historic site signs along State highways in Mounmouth County.

Prior to this new historic site signs have been erected along the highways in Mercer County.

This is a part of a statewide program to erect new, more legible signs at historic sites within the State by the New Jersey Historic Site Revaluation Committee, who select the sites and provide the signs.

The Highway Department is cooperating in this effort by furnishing the equipment and manpower needed to erect all such signs located on the State Highway System.

Sites along the highway system to Monmouth County on which new signs are being erected are -

Town of Middletown, Route 35, Middletown Township.

Phillip Freneau, on Freneau Avenue opposite William St. Route 79.

Battle of Monmouth, Route U. S. 9, Freehold.

First Trans-Atlantic Wireless Station, Route 36, Highlands.

Erection of new signs relating to historic sites along State highways in other counties will be announced by the Highway Department.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'s
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1963
ROUTE 35
Middletown Township
Monmouth County

Trenton, June 13 - The New Jersey State Highway Department has finished its plans for certain improvements on Route 35 in Monmouth County and today announced it will take bids July 11 on the construction contract.

Highway Commissioner Dwight R. G. Palmer noted that the plans, started in late 1962, will provide jughandles, traffic lights, and a center barrier in the vicinity of Tindall Road. Funds for the project were provided in the Department's current 1962-63 construction program after preliminary designs were discussed with local officials.

Another Route 35 project in the works includes the Maple Avenue overpass at a hazardous location in Keyport, on which plans are presently being processed for submission to the Federal Bureau of Public Roads.

Existing Route 35 now carries one lane each way near Tindall Road but will eventually carry 2 lanes of southbound traffic. An existing service road, located to the east of the route will be widened and improved to carry 2 lanes of northbound traffic.

Portions of both the existing Route 35 roadway and the service roadway will be rebuilt. Grades of the service roadway will be improved and it will be widened to permit movement of 2 lanes of northbound Route 35 traffic. The surface of the new northbound roadway will be of bituminous concrete bordered in part by white concrete vertical curb.

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Route 35
Middletown Township
Monmouth County

The intersection of the southbound roadway with Twin Brooks Avenue will be improved. Opposite this intersection, channelization through the median divider will permit traffic from Twin Brooks Road to reach the new northbound roadway of the highway. Traffic from the southbound roadway of the route will use the same channelization as a turnaround to the northbound roadway.

An intersection improvement at Mountain Hill Road and the proposed new northbound Route 35 roadway will enable westbound traffic on Mountain Hill road safe access to Route 35 northbound, as well as enabling northbound traffic on Route 35 easy access to Mountain Hill Road eastbound.

A new left turn jughandle at the Tindall Road intersection will permit northbound Route 35 traffic to safely enter both the southbound roadway of Route 35 and Kings Highway. These turns will be made under the protection of traffic signals.

Eastbound traffic on the Kings Highway will merge more readily into southbound Route 35 because of the availability of 4 lanes on the southbound roadway. Access to Route 35 will also be under the protection of traffic signals.

To the north, beyond the Tindall Road intersection, the dualization will end and traffic will return to two lanes in each direction on Route 35.

Costs of the project, which will take about seventy-five working days to complete, will be paid entirely by the New Jersey State Highway Department.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M.'s

1963
Route 62 - COMPLETION
Borough of Totowa
Passaic County

Trenton, June 13 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced completion of a $30,000 project for the construction of drainage improvements to relieve flooding conditions on Route 62 in the Borough of Totowa, Passaic County.

A new corrugated metal drainage trunk line 36 inches in diameter has been installed in the center of the roadway over a distance of 1,234 feet between Scriven's Street and the Passaic River. The increased capacity of the drainage system will eliminate the floods at Charles Street which have followed rainstorms.

Elimination of the second flood, which has appeared about 48 hours following rainstorms when the Passaic River peaks, has been assured by construction of a flap-gate at the end of the new drainage trunk line which will prevent the backing up of flood waters from the River.

An open outfall from the flap-gate vault to the Passaic River has been built on the north side of the river in the vicinity of the Hillary Street Bridge.

The traffic detour in effect since the project began, has been removed and vehicular movement has been restored to normal.

Costs of the work will be paid entirely by the State Highway Department.

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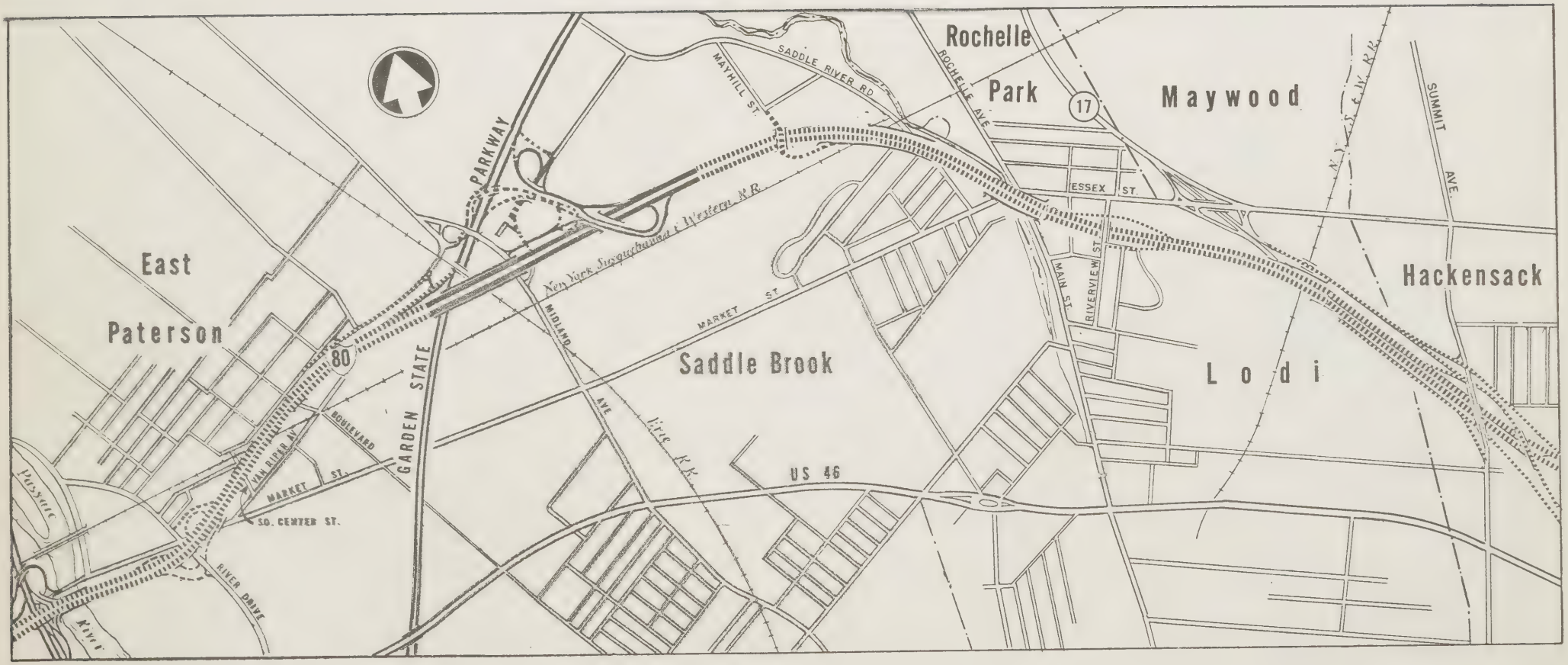
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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Interstate Route 80-BIDS
Borough of Saddle Brook
Bergen County

Trenton, June 13 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today received a low bid of $5,056,469.18 from Poirier and McLane Corp., New York City for construction of a section of Interstate Route 80 extending from Senate Street westward to the Garden State Parkway in the Borough of Saddle Brook, Bergen County.

Other bidders on the project were: Public Constructors, Inc. Blackwood, $5,210,519.14; Schiavone Construction Co., Inc., Secaucus, $5,323,558.63; Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls, $5,412,018.63; Brookfield Construction Co., Inc., New York City, $5,414,948.79; Conduit and Foundation Corp., Philadelphia,$5,442,480.27; Ell-Dorer Contracting Co.,Irvington - P. T. and L. Construction Co., Paramus, $5,545,877.75; George M. Brewster and Son, Inc., Bogota, $5,655,678.30; S. J. Groves and Sons Co., Woodbridge,$5,772,045.19.

The one mile project will provide the last link in a chain of construction projects completed or underway on the 13 mile portion of the Bergen-Passaic Expressway extending westward from the George Washington Bridge to the vicinity of Beckwith Avenue in Paterson. The Expressway, when completed, will carry traffic between the George Washington Bridge and the Passaic River in Wayne Township. Portions of Interstate Routes 80 and 95 form the Expressway.

The proposed construction on the Interstate Routes as well as construction now underway on the Garden State Parkway in the same area will provide complete interchange facilities between the two superhighways.

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Interstate Route 80 - BIDS
Borough of Saddle Brook
Bergen County

A viaduct about 1100 feet in length will be built under this project to carry Route 80 over the Garden State Parkway and the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad. Four lanes of traffic will be carried on Route 80 in each direction, eastbound and westbound, separated by barrier curb.

In line with the Highway Department policy of concentrating on the construction of needed Interstate Routes in urban areas first, hearings were held in Bergen and Passaic Counties in 1958 and the first contracts for demolition were awarded in 1959.

Since 1959, roadway foundation and structural work valued at more than $11 million has been completed on the Route 80 portion of the Expressway. Another $15.2 million worth of work has been completed on the Route 95 portion. At present, $37.8 million worth of work is underway on the Route 80 portion and $29.3 million on the Route 95 portion.

On Interstate Route 95, in the vicinity of the approaches to the George Washington Bridge, contracts totalling about $22.6 million are underway on about 3 miles of the Route. Work consists of excavation and roadway foundation work as well as the construction of a bridge to carry Edgewood Road over the superhighway.

A huge traffic interchange is under construction which will connect both directions of traffic on Route 4, Route 95, and Routes 1, 9 and 46 to both

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roadway levels of the George Washington Bridge and provide connections to and from Fletcher Avenue. The overall interchange is 3,200 feet in length and varies from 300 feet to 750 feet in width. Twenty traffic lanes will be carried on eight separate roadways to permit free flow of through traffic from one roadway to another. Route 4 is being dualized through the interchange area.

The old Fletcher Avenue Bridge has been reconstructed to permit seven separate roadways to pass under it.

Directional signs are being erected in the bridge approach area and highway lighting is being installed.

Further west on Route 95, bridge construction work now underway includes structures to carry the superhighway over Teaneck Creek as well as a bridge to carry Fort Lee Road over Teaneck Creek.

At the intersection of Routes 80 and 95, a $1.95 million bridge construction project now underway will assure smooth local and express traffic movement in all directions between the routes.

A paving contract is expected to be awarded soon providing for paving the portion of the Expressway between Palisades Avenue in Bogota and Route 4 in Fort Lee. Under a prior contract the roadway was graded between the Hackensack River and a point beyond the Route 80 - Route 95 intersection. Bridges

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have been built to carry Second Street, Queen Anne Road, Park Avenue and Teaneck Road over the Expressway.

West of the Hackensack River Bridge, on Route 80, an eight lane bituminous concrete roadway separated by concrete barrier curb is under construction having roadways for express and local traffic. The Expressway will be carried over Green Street, the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad and Hudson Street. Huyler Street and Phillips Street will be carried over the Interstate Route. The project is 1.4 miles long and will cost about $5.1 million.

At the intersection of Interstate Route 80 with Route 17, four lanes of superhighway continue in each direction separated by concrete barrier over a distance of 1.5 miles. The $4.6 million project underway at this location includes dualization of Route 17 and construction of an interchange between Route 17 and the Expressway. The Expressway is carried over Polifly Road and passes under Summit Avenue. Ramps will permit connections between the Expressway and Summit Avenue.

From the Route 17 interchange over a distance of nearly a mile westward to Main Street, a $3.6 million project consisting of the construction of a reinforced concrete roadway carrying 4 lanes in each direction separated by a concrete barrier is underway. Riverview Avenue is carried over the Expressway at an interchange. The superhighway is carried over Gregg Avenue, the Hudson and Lackawanna Railroad and southbound Route 17. Roadways are provided for express and local traffic.

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Interstate Route 80 - BIDS
Borough of Saddle Brook
Bergen County

Mayhill Street in Saddle Brook crosses the Expressway on a new bridge. The Expressway is carried over the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad and Saddle River Road as well as over Market Street, Saddle River and Main Street. Construction is being performed in this area over a distance of nearly a mile at a cost of $5.1 million.

Beyond the western limit of the proposed project, in East Paterson, a new bridge over the Passaic River carries Route 80 over Slaughterdam Road. Four reinforced concrete traffic lanes for each direction of traffic will extend from the bridge to the vicinity of the Garden State Parkway in East Paterson. An overpass bridge carries the freeway over River Drive where exit and entrance ramps are provided. Bridges carry the Interstate Route over the Boulevard, the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad, South Center Street and Market Street. Market Street is connected across a bridge to the freeway. Cost of this portion of the superhighway will be about $8.6 million.

In Paterson, between Martin Street and Lakeview Avenue and between River Drive and the Garden State Parkway in East Paterson, over a distance of more than 2 miles, 4 reinforced concrete lanes separated by white concrete barrier curb will be provided for each direction of traffic, eastbound and westbound.

An interchange in the vicinity of Madison Avenue provides connections between the superhighway and local streets. Madison Avenue is carried over the freeway on a new bridge. Trenton Avenue and Lakeview Avenue are carried

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over the freeway. Just west of the Passaic River, Route 20 passes under the new bridge which carries the freeway across the River. Cost of this portion of the Expressway will be about $6.52 million.

East of Beckwith Avenue, demolition work is underway over a distance of about 1.5 miles in Paterson and West Paterson.

Construction of the Interstate Route through Bergen and Passaic is planned as a relief for Route 4 and Route 46 which carry traffic volumes well above their designed capacity. In addition to relieving both of the existing highways of most of the interstate traffic, the Department sees the new Expressway as a much needed artery between the two counties.

The Federal Government pays 90 percent of the costs of interstate highway construction while New Jersey pays ten percent. Work on the proposed project is expected to be completed by December 1, 1964. All bids will be reviewed before a contract is awarded.

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